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THE BOMBAY GAZETTE.

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All Cheques, Money Orders, and other Remittances, should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

SHIPPING.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every four days.

The Steam-ship SATTARA, 1,237 Tons, 250 H.P., Commander J. J. Ballantine, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 2nd January 1872, at 4 P.M.

Jan. 1872		Jan. 1872
Leave BOMBAY	2	Leave Galle 12
,, Cutwar	4	,, Negapatam 15
,, Mangalore	5	,, Pondicherry 16
,, Cannanore	6	,, Madras 18
,, Tellicherry	6	,, Cocoanada 20
,, Calicut	7	,, Visagapatam 21
,, Beypore	7	,, Bimlipatam 21
,, Cochin	8	,, Gopaulpore 22
,, Alleppy	9	,, False Point 23
,, Tuticorin	10	Arrive CALCUTTA 24
,, Colombo	11	

This route is the most expeditious and economical for Passengers for the Neilgherries District, Bangalore, and Madras, who can land at Calicut or Beypore and proceed from thence by rail. Passengers for Calcutta can take the same route, picking up the steamer at Madras.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussora, to and from Baghdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADUR, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, MAHOMERAH, and BUSSORAH.

The Steam-ship ETHIOPIA, 1,132 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander Wood, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 26th December 1871, at noon.

Dec.		Jan. 1872
Leave BOMBAY	26	Leave BUSSORAH 12
,, Kurrachee	29	,, Fao 12
,, Guadur.....	30	,, Bushire 13
Jan. 1872		,, Linga 16
,, Muscat	1	,, Bunder Abbas 17
,, Bunder Abbas	5	,, Muscat 19
,, Linga	6	,, Guadur 21
,, Bushire	7	,, Kurrachee 24
Arrive BUSSORAH	12	Arrive BOMBAY 27

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the Weekly Service from England, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every MONDAY, at noon.

The Steam-ship KURRACHEE, 510 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander A. Scott, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 1st January, 1872, at noon.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAMER TO THE MALABAR COAST.

THE well-known first-class fast sailing steamer MOUNTSTUART ELPHINSTONE, Commander Francis J. Mayfin, will leave Bombay, for the undermentioned Ports, from Apollo Bunder, on THURSDAY, the 28th instant, and will leave Carwar on SUNDAY evening for Bombay:—

Hurnee	Malwan
Umjuwell	Vingorla
Honnawerry	Goa (Panjim)
Jeypapore	Carwar.

For Freight or Passage apply to JEEWAJEE VITTAL, 73, Bazaar Gate Street; or 45, Kolbadevi Road; or T. G. Fernandes' Coach-builder, Byculla, opposite Jewish Synagogue.

Bombay, 23rd November 1871.

£45 TO ENGLAND.

THE magnificent first-class full-power Iron Steam ship EUROPEAN, 2,600 Tons Register, 450 Horse Power (lately of Allan's Liverpool and Canadian Line), Col. F. Arbuthnot, commanding, will leave Bombay for Liverpool direct (via Suez Canal) on the 30th JANUARY 1872.

The fine Steamer has spacious saloon and Cabins fitted up with every comfort and convenience, and will carry an experienced Surgeon and Stewardess.

A Choice Table will be kept.

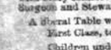
First Class, to Liverpool £45,

Children under 10 years—half fare; Infants—free, exclusive of Wines and Liquors, which can be had on board at moderate rates.

JOHNSON & Co.,

Ship-Brokers, Nesbit Lane, Fort, Bombay.

FOR LIVERPOOL, VIA THE SUEZ CANAL.



MESSRS. T. WILSON, SONS, and Co.'s fine new Steamer XANTHO, 1,300 tons register, 250 H. P., will SAIL for LIVERPOOL about the end of December. This Steamer has excellent accommodation for First-class Passengers. A plan of the Saloon can be seen on application. She carries a Surgeon and Stewardess.

THE RATES FOR PASSAGE ARE AS FOLLOWS:—

1st Class to Liverpool	£55	Exclusive of Wines & Spirits, which can be had on board.
Do. Do.	£50	
2nd Class to Liverpool	£30	

For Passage, Freight, and further particulars apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.,

Bombay, 6th December 1871. Agents s.s. Xantho.

P.S.—For Passage and further particulars apply to

Messrs. GRINDLAY, GROOM, & Co.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY.

(VIA SUEZ CANAL.)

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA.

The regular Steamers leave

GENOA on the 24th, and BOMBAY on the 1st of each month.

PASSENGER RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
To Aden	£32	£15	£4	
Suez	38	22	8	
Port Said.....	38	23	9-10	Without Food.
Alexandria.....	39	25	14	
Messina	50	34	14	
Naples	50	34	14	
Leghorn	50	34	14	
Genoa	50	34	14	
Marseilles, transhipment at Genoa).....	52	35	14-10	

Including Wines.

Children under 3 years, free of charge.
Children 3 and under 10 years, half fare.
Direct Steamers from Bombay to—

ARABIA, on MONDAY, 1st January 1872.
PERSIA, on THURSDAY, 1st February 1872.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For Hand-books of Information, Rates of Freight, &c., apply to

VOLKART BROTHERS,

Agents Rubattino Steam Navigation Company.

Bombay, 30th September 1871.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Cargo per Screw Steamer NEBRASKA are hereby informed of the ARRIVAL of the VESSEL in, and requested to take DELIVERY of their CARGO at once.

BLAY & MACKINTOSH.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Cargo per Ship MUNSOORY, from Calcutta, are requested to SEND in their BILLS OF LADING for our inspection, when, on payment of freight, Orders will be granted for delivery of their GOODS at the Bunder.

SIR CHARLES FORBES & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 22nd December 1871.

SHIPPING.

OVE LAND ROUTE.

On Saturday, the 30th December, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s S. S. HINDOSTAN, (3,113 tons and 600 H.P.), Captain N. Rosbell, will LEAVE for SUEZ as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Brindisi, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Trieste, Venice, Odessa, Genoa, Naples, and Havre, Liverpool or London.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

The Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal in their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon before 10 A.M. on the day of the Steamer's departure, in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S. S. TRAVANCORE (1,900 tons and 300 H.P.), Captain H. Rawlins, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 4th January, leaving Mazagon at noon on that day, and carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's office before 11 A.M. on Tuesday, the 2nd January.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

TO LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE magnificent full-powered Screw Steam-ship NEMESIS, first-class 2,717 Tons, 550 Horse-power, (lately belonging to the P. & O. Co.), Captain Stuart, has superior accommodation for Passengers, both for First and Second Class. For rate of Passage and furth rparticulars apply to

LAWRENCE & Co.

Bombay, 19th December 1871.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH RUSSIA, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Russian Steam Navigation Trading and Odessa Railway Company have established a regular service between Odessa and Bombay.

IN accordance with the above, the Steam-ship NACHIMOFF, 400-Horse Power, 2,210 Tons, Captain Gerkes, is expected here about the 15th of January next, and will have quick despatch.

Shippers to Russia are informed that from the 27th February last, a direct Goods service by Rail has been established between Cracow, Moscow, and St. Petersburgh, at reduced rates. For Freight, &c., apply to

H. BOMANJEE, TOUCHE, & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 28th November 1871.

STEAM FROM BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE magnificent full-powered Screw Steam-ship NEBRASKA, A 1, 22 years, highest class, 2,262 tons register, 350 H. P. nominal, is intended to be despatched positive y on the 15TH JANUARY 1872.

Superior accommodation for Passengers is replete with every luxury.

She carries a Surgeon and Stewardess.

	Fares.	
1st Class, to Liverpool.....	£45	Exclusive of Wines & Spirits,
,, Suez	£30	
,, Malta.....	£35	

which can be had on board.

For Passage, Freight, and further particulars apply to

BLAY & MACKINTOSH,

Elphinstone Circle.

And for Passage only apply to

Messrs. KING, KING & Co.,

where Plans of the Cabins may be seen.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE KUTCH AND KATTYWAR COAST AND KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION Co. (Limited) will DESPATCH a STEAMER as above EVERY FORTNIGHT, touching at the following Ports:—

Leave Bombay, Tues.,	Dec. 26	Arrive Porebunder, Fri.	Dec. 29
Arrive Diu, Wednesday,	,, 27	,, Dwarka, saturday,	,, 30
,, Verawul,	,, 27	,, Kutch Mandvi, ,,	,, 30
,, Mangarole, Thurs.	,, 28	,, Kurrachee, Sunday	,, 31

The Steam-ship EUPHRATES, 650 tons, 120 H.P., Commander C. D. H. Yarrow, will be despatched, according to the above table, on TUESDAY, the 26th December.

For Freight and Passage apply to

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM FERRIES (under control of the Port Trust Commissioners).—Steam Ferry Boats will ply across the Harbour daily, stopping at undermentioned Bunders:—

Fares from Bombay to

Class.	Hewas.	Dhurumtur.	Oorun.	Hog Island.	Oolwa.
	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.
First Class	2 0	3 0	2 [illegible]	2 0	3 0
Second Class	0 12	1 0	0 10	0 12	0 12
Third Class	0 6	0 8	0 [illegible]	0 6	0 9

The Hewas and Dhurumtur Ferry Steamer leaves Carnac Bunder daily at 8 A.M., and Dhurumtur at 1 P.M. The Oorun, Hog Island, and Oolwa Ferry Steamer leaves Carnac Bunder daily at 8-30 A.M., and Oolwa at 1 P.M. Passengers are required to obtain Tickets from the Bunder Clerk previous to proceeding on board.

J. A. SHEPHERD.

No. 33, Meadow Street, Bombay.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

MONTHLY LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY AND TRIESTE VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Company intends to despatch every month a Steamer from TRIESTE to BOMBAY and *vice versa*. The Steamers APIS and SPHINX have only limited accommodation for a small number of Passengers. The rates for Cabin Passengers include food and table wine transit through Egypt, and free conveyance of 2 cwt. luggage. For Baggage in excess £4 per Ton is charged.

The APIS, 1,400 tons, will be despatched from Bombay on or about the 15th January, and the SPHINX, 1,400 tons, on or about the 10th February.

PASSENGER RATES FROM BOMBAY PER APIS AND SPHINX.

	Cabin.	Deck, with Food.
To Trieste.....	£40	£19- 0
To Port Said.....	£30	£14- 6
To Suez	£28	£13- 7
To Aden.....	£16	£ 7-13

Cargo taken for Trieste, also for Venice, Constantinople, and Odessa, Aden, Egypt, England, and the Continent generally.

THERE is also a weekly service by MAIL STEAMERS between Alexandria and Trieste, and *vice versa*, in connection with the P. & O. Co.'s Mail Steamers to and from Suez. The Austrian Lloyd's Mail Steamers leave Alexandria direct for Trieste immediately after the arrival of the Bombay and Calcutta Mails from Suez. The distance between Alexandria and Marseilles, and the voyage to Trieste is much more agreeable, it being a boasting trip full of variety of beautiful scenery from the Island of Candia to the Port of Trieste. The passage occupies only 4½ to 5 days, and the Company's best Steamers are employed on this Line, which are built expressly for this service, with special reference to the accommodation and comfort of Passengers, and have each an experienced Surgeon on board. At Trieste the traveller to England has an extensive choice of picturesque and interesting routes, occupying from three days six hours to five days to London, at an expense varying from £7 to £15.

Passengers by the P. & O. Co.'s steamers to Suez can have their baggage forwarded by that Company's steamers from Alexandria to Southampton, at a charge of 10s. per cwt., for the regulated allowance of 2 cwt., and at 20s. per cwt. for excess weight, both exclusive of transit through Egypt, to which the Austrian Lloyd's Agent at Suez will attend.

The undersigned grants also Passage Tickets for the steamers plying between Alexandria and Trieste, and for the Railway between Suez and Alexandria.

PASSENGER RATES FROM ALEXANDRIA TO TRIESTE.

First Class..... £13	Second Class £9

Children under 10 years at Half Fare; under 2 years, Free.

Reduced Fares for Families, consisting of not less than 3 adult members travelling together:—First Class, £10-16 per head; Second Class, £7-10 per head.

Personal Baggage allowed Free: 1st Class 200 lbs., 2nd Class 150 lbs., overweight 10s. per 100 lbs.

Railway Tickets, from SUEZ to ALEXANDRIA, with all the privileges of Passengers by the P. & O. Co.:—First Class, £3; Second Class, £2. Children over 3 and under 10 years at Half Fare. Free Baggage—1st Class 3 cwt., 2nd Class 200 lbs., overweight 7s. per cwt.

For further particulars, and for Freight and Passage, apply to the Agency of the Austrian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Company.

A. C. GUMPERT, Manager.

Bombay, 12, Meadow Street, 16th December 1871.

HOMEWARD PASSENGERS VIA BOMBAY.

PASSAGES to SUEZ and EUROPE engaged and BAGGAGE Received and Shipped.

PAY and FUND ALLOWANCES realized.

CIRCULAR NOTES issued payable in EGYPT and throughout EUROPE.

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APPROVED DRAFTS on CALCUTTA and MADRAS, on demand, and GOVERNMENT CURRENCY NOTES of any Circle of Payment received at par.

GRINDLAY, GROOM, AND CO.,

BOMBAY.

Correspondents.

GRINDLAY & Co., London. GRINDLAY & Co., Calcutta.

SALES BY AUCTION.

MENESSE AND COMPANY.

On THURSDAY, the 28th inst., Messrs. MENESSE & Co will hold their usual Weekly Auction Sale at their rooms of a quantity of grey colored and white Piece Goods, Twist, &c.

10 bales Grey Shirtings, 8 lb. 45 in.
15 bales Grey Domestic.
10 ,, Drills.
5 cases Regatt'as.
5 ,, black and white Prints.
5 ,, T Red Prints.
2 ,, silk bordered Dhoolies.
2 ,, ,, Sarries.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 25th September 1871.

BENNETT AND COMPANY, No. 4, FORBES STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF UNSERVICEABLE INSTRUMENTS, &c

Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant, at 7 P.M., at the Medical Stores, Byculla, by order of the Principal Medical Storekeeper, a lot of unserviceable Instruments, &c., &c.

AUCTION SALE OF CROCKERY, PLATED AND GLASSWARE.

On WEDNESDAY, the 27th inst., at 1 P.M., Messrs BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms, an invoice of crockery, glass and plateaware, the same comprises fancy liqueur, dessert services, chamber candlesticks, sets of jugs, fancy tops, tea sets, [illegible] and chamber candlesticks, &c. &c.,

2,000 doz. Eau-de-Cologne.
6 sets of English Harness.

AUCTION SALE of valuable and handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Por-elainware, a handsome English built double-seated Brougham by Godbeer, a pair of Bay Carriage horses, Plants, &c., at No. 66 Malabar Hill.

On THURSDAY, the 4th proximo, Messrs. BENNETT & Co are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at their residence at the abovementioned place, the valuable and handsome household furniture, &c., the property of F. Hunter, Esq.

Full particulars will be given hereafter.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view two days before the day of sale.

AUCTION SALE of valuable Furnished Bungalow at "Matheran."

On THURSDAY, the 4th proximo, at 4 P.M., Messrs. BENNETT & Co., are instructed to submit to Public Auction, at their Rooms, the well furnished pucka-built Bungalow with a double Iron Roof, known as Wilderness, situated on the best part of the Hill, commanding an excellent view, with a small separate Bungalow, Servants' Quarters, Stabling and a Compound, admeasuring about 7 acres.

Particulars of which can be had on application to the Undersigned.

The property can be seen at any time from this to the day of sale by Visitors to Matheran.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 25th December 1871.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BOMBAY CRICKET CLUB.—GENTLEMEN who have promised to PLAY in the MATCH arranged for TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 26th and 27th instant, are requested to be on the ground TO-MORROW at 10-30 A.M.

C. A. W. CAMERON,

Honorary Secretary.

TENDERS for the privilege of SKINNING DEAD ANIMALS on the FLATS or at ANTOP HILL during 1872, will be received by the Municipal Commissioner up to Noon of the 28th instant.

T. G. HEWLETT, Health Officer.

Bombay, 23rd December 1871.

LOST, this forenoon, between the New Bank of Bombay and Forbes street, by way of Apollo Street, CURRENCY NOTE C8704738 Bombay, 28th August 1869, for RUPEES ONE THOUSAND. The Finder or any one giving information regarding the Note will be SUITABLY REWARDED on applying to the COMMISSIONER of POLICE.

Bombay, 23rd December 1871.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Mr. COOVERJEE PRAGJEE hath contracted to SELL all that piece or parcel of GROUND, together with the messuages, tenements or range of buildings or chawls standing thereon, situate on the west side of Khoja Street, in the Island of Bombay, and assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 10, and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Nos 1639 and 1643, and bounded on the east by Khoja Street, on the west by divers houses lying between the said piece of ground and Dunsan Road, on or towards the north by the public road called Purbboy Street, and on or towards the south partly by the property of one Cowjee and partly by Khandoba's temple, and which said piece contain by admeasurement 1,808 2-9 square yards or thereabouts. All persons having any claim, by way of inheritance, mortgage, or otherwise, are required to make the same known, in writing, within 14 days from this day, to the Undersigned, otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim if there be any, which will be treated as abandoned.—Dated this 23rd day of December 1871.

RIMINGTON, HORE & LANGLEY,

Purchasers' Solicitors.

J. NEUBERG,

BOMBAY.

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JUST LANDED,

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LOCK-STITCH SEWING MACHINES.

Each Machine is accompanied with the following Appurtenances, which are included in the Price:—

1 Hemmer	1 Thread Hook
1 Bobbin	1 Needle Wrench
12 Needles	1 Oil Can
1 Trimmer	1 Oiler
1 Braider	1 Emery Wheel
1 Large Gauge (for Tucking, 1 Basting, and 1 Quilting.)	1 Screw Driver
1 Small ,,	1 Large Wrench
	1 Extra Plate Slide with large Needle hole for Coarse Work.
1 Crystal for Trimmer	
4 Extra Arbuils for various Stitches	

Half Case, Rs. 135, Nett Cash. Wheeler and Wilson's Lock-Stitch Sewing Machines commend themselves as being the most simple and reliable instruments for Domestic use. They are strong and capable of doing a greater range of work and in a more perfect manner than any other Sewing Machines. The present Sewing Machines are fitted with a Dress Protector placed in front of the Wheel.

A book giving full directions and useful suggestions for working the Machine is supplied with each.

COOKING-STOVES.

The "VICTORESS" KITCHENERS, Nos. 6, 7, 8, with and without Hot Water Attachments, and complete with all the necessary Cooking Utensils and Smoke Pipe. These Stoves are adapted for small Families as well as for the large Household, and will burn any of the ordinary kinds of Coal, Wood, Charcoal, or Coke.

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SADDLERY AND HARNESS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION ALWAYS ON HAND.

Orders immediately attended to.

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Caution.—Many spurious imitations are now sold of Messrs. J. & E. Atkinsons' Goods; orders should therefore be sent direct or through commission houses of repute. Their goods may be had of all respectable dealers throughout India and China.

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Real Turtle, Mock Turtle, Hare, Ox Tail, Julienne and Palestine Soups.
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ESTIMATES FURNISHED ON APPLICATION.

NOTICES.

THEATRE ROYAL GRANT ROAD.

DAVE CARSON SAHIB KA PUCKA TUMASHA.

TUESDAY, 26TH DECEMBER.

DAVE CARSON has much pleasure in informing his Friends and the Public generally, that the above date has been set aside for

THE FAREWELL BENEFIT OF

MR. S. HERBETE,

THE FAVOURITE TENOR;

And

DAVE CARSON has further pleasure in asserting that he will be vastly gratified to see his friend, the *Beneficiare*, bow his acknowledgments to

A BUMPER HOUSE.

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Part First will conclude with Descriptive and Original Song, entitled,

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Rondo Finale...Don Pasquale ..... Madame Carson.

The Evening's Entertainment will conclude with Dave Carson's Original Comic Sketch, entitled,

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SHARE MARKET.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

INQUIRIES for Freres and other Land shares at better rates. Other shares closed firm.

CALCUTTA.—20TH DECEMBER.

The following transactions were reported :—

In Government Securities :—

4 per cents, at Rs. 99 and 99-2, or 1 to 0-14 discount, and small sums at Rs. 99-4, or 0-12 discount.

4½ per cents, of 1872 at Rs. 102.

5½ per cents, at Rs. 110-4.

In shares :—

Bank of Bengal shares at Rs. 1,445.

National Bank shares a heavy batch, at Rs. 89, and others at Rs. 90.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

Statement of Traffic, Week ending 16th December 1871.

Open 1,274 Miles.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Coaching	96,376	8	5
Merchandize	3,08,118	5	1
Electric Telegraph	200	0	6
Earth Trains	3,248	4	0
Total Rs.	4,08,645	2	0
Corresponding week last year open 7,258 miles ... Total Rs.	3,51,368	3	11
Increase	57,276	14	1

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH

OFFICE—24TH DECEMBER, 9 P.M.

Latest dates from United Kingdom.

Via Russia, 23rd December, 5-30 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 3 hours.

Via Red Sea, 23rd December, 5-58 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 11 hours 27 minutes.

Latest dates from Continent of Europe.

Via Russia, 23rd December, 9-29 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 43 minutes.

Via Red Sea, 23rd December, 10 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 3 hours 55 minutes.

Latest dates from America.

Via Russia, 23rd December, 10-25 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 55 minutes.

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To Bombay.	Max.	Min
From Calcutta	0 27	0 12
,, Galle	8 30	1 46
,, Kurrachee	0 25	0 4
,, Madras	one message in 1	41

TELEGRAPH LINE REPORTS.

KURRACHEE, 24th Dec., 9 P.M.—Latest dates from United Kingdom, via Russia, 23rd Dec., 10-35 P.M. From Continent of Europe, via Russia, 24th Dec., 1-5 P.M. From Continent of America, via Russia, 23rd Dec., 10-25 P.M. Cable right to Fao; Turkish line right to Pera; Persian line right to London.

SHIPPING

DAILY FREIGHT REPORT—23RD DECEMBER.

London...	Cotton	£3 0s. 0d.
	Cases	£3 0s. 0d.
	Seeds	£2 10s. 0d.
Liverpool	Iron Ships Cotton	£2 10s. 0d.
	Wooden Ships ,,	£2 10s. 0d. to £2 11s. 3d.
	Mycheline & Colt'dlls	£2 0s. 0d.
	Seeds	£1 10s. 0d.
Havre	Cotton	£3 0s. 0d. Nom.
	Coffee	
Overland	Steamers	£3 10s. 0d.
Liverpool via Suez Canal		£3 0s. 0d. to £3 2s. 6d.
China ...	Steamer Cotton	Rs. 8 per bale.
	Opium	Rs. 25 to 30 per chest
	Sailing Ships	Rs. 4 per bale nominal
Calcutta	Salt	Rs. 5 0 per ton
Calcutta to Bombay		Rs. 20 and Calcutta Port charges
Mauritius		Nothing doing.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
23	Euphrates (s)	Hutchison	Kurrachee, Dec. 20.
	Lady Nyan (s)	Xavier	Surat, Dec. 20.
	Gogah (s)	Nacoda	Cutch, Dec. 20.
	Taptee (s)	DeCosta	Cutch, Dec. 20.
24	Delcondá (s)	Coleman	Suez, Dec. 10.
	Sir J. R. Carnac (s)	Gammon	Goa, Dec. 21.

DEPARTURES

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander	Destination.
23	Eastern Light	McFee	Liverpool.
	Indus (s)	Greaves	Aden and Suez.
	Arundel	Crocker	Calcutta.
	Pearl (s)	Morris	Malabar Coast.
	Phlox (s)	Baker	Coast and Carwar.
24	Lloyd	Robinson	Moulmein.
	City of Amoy	Swan	Galle.
	Gogah (s)	Nacoda	Cutch.

The steamer Ethiopia, Sanders, to Persian Gulf via Kurrachee, obtained her port clearance on Saturday last.

The following vessels began to load on Saturday last :—

Steamer Travancore, to China, &c.

Steamer Saltara, to Malabar Coast and Calcutta.

Steamer Euphrates, to Coast and Kurrachee.

Steamer Taptee, to Cutch.

Ship Clayesille, to Rangoon.

Barque Migraloz, to Rangoon.

HOOGHLY.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.			
20	Rohilla	Potter	Liverpool, Aug. 31
	Ghazeepore	McNeah	Liverpool, Sept. 21
21	Yorkshire (s)	Kennedy	London, Oct. 28.
	Anne Royden	Stevenson	Liverpool, Sept. 4.
	Arathusa	Lamont	Liverpool, Sept. 4.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.		
20	Asia (s)	Calcutta.
	Oriental (s)	Bombay.
21	Stabat Mater	Pondicherry.

DEPARTURES.

Dec.		
20	Java	Pondicherry.
21	Oriental (s)	Calcutta.

ADEN.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 8—Surat, s, Baker, from Suez.
8—Glengyle, s, McBain, from Singapore.
9—Deccan, s, Reynoldson, from Bombay.
9—Mula, s, Hanna, from Bombay.
9—Australis, s, Murray, from Calcutta.
10—Pei-ho, s, Mellean, from Marseilles.
10—Japan, s, Berrie, from Toulon.
11—Bivonae, s, Beach, from Calcutta.
11—H. M. S. Kwangtung, Elton, from sea.
12—Arabia, s, Gabourah, from Genoa.
13—Nebraska, s.
13—Egitto, s, Cosbara, from Bombay.
15—Teviot, s, Nesbit, from London.
15—Hooghly, s, Rapatel, from China.

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10—Australis, s, Murray, to Suez.
10—Pei-ho, s, Mellean, to China.
10—Ship Royal Family, Hogg, to Calcutta.
10—Mula, s, Hanna, to Jeddah via Hodeida.
10—Danube, s, Target, to Mauritius.
11—Japan, s, Berrie, to Saigon.
11—Bivonae, s, Beach, to Falmouth.
12—Arabia, s, Gabourah, to Bombay.
13—Batara Bayon Syed, s, Pinkham, to Singapore.
13—Isa, s, Northy, to Moulmein.
15—Egitto, s, Cosbara, to Genoa.
15—Hooghly, s, Rapatel, to Mauritius.

VESSEL IN HARBOUR.

Dec. 11—H. M. S. Kwangtung, Elton, from sea.

STEAMER REPORTS.

GALLE, 24th Dec., 10 A.M.—Mail steamer from Australia signalled.

TRINCOMALLEE, 24th Dec., 1-30 A.M.—H. M. S. Glasgow from Galle arrived yesterday.

DAILY IMPORTS.—23RD DECEMBER.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Euxine, s, 2 cases tobacco, Greaves, Cotton & Co.

FROM LONDON.

Xantho, s, 2 packages indiarubber sheet, H. Allybhoy; 7 cases, oilmanstores, 6 cases bacon, and 1 case cheese, J. J. Francis; 1 case toys, and lead pencils, E. A. Raymon; 2 cases glassware, guns, and 1 case clock, King, King & Co.

City of Amoy, 10 packages earthenware, H. Essanjee.

Nebraska, s, 2 packages old and new chinaware, 1 case gas lamps, and 1 case haberdashery and oilmanstores, King, King & Co.

Nebraska, s, 11 cases purfumery, 15 cases oilmanstores, and 1 case haberdashery, H. E. Fazul; 100 cases yellow metal sheets, N. Khatlow.

Baldowan, 1,000 tubs English and Swedish steel, Sternhouse & Co.; 20 cases soap ball, B. Heptoola.

FOR GENOA.

Egitto, s, 204 boxes brandy, N. Ardaseer and Sons.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Marie Gabriel, 395 boxes brandy, Planjee, Visay & Co.

DAILY EXPORTS.—23RD DECEMBER.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

British Princess, 372 bales cotton, N. Pestonjeeram; 96 bales cotton, E. A. Bhaibhoy; 62 bales cotton, Knoop & Co.; 92 bales cotton, H. Choogsee & Co.

Princess Regent, 100 bales cotton, L. Enderjee; 32 bales cotton, L. Narranjee; 60 bales cotton, L. Balchund.

Sir Walter Scott, 2,000 bundles coir yarn, and 500 bundles galla, S. Wagjee; 2 0 bales cotton, N. Manockjee & Co.

Mahabuleshwur, 1,000 bundles myrabollams, S. S. Narrelwalla; 152 bales cotton, S. Narrandass; 180 bales cotton, M. Luckmidass.

The Foundling, 150 bales cotton, Wallace & Co.; 62 bales cotton, D. Bhimjee; 60 bales cotton, T. Sakerchund; 25 bales cotton, V. Khetsee; 50 bales hemp, L. Enderjee.

Xantho, s, 100 bales cotton, S. Mooljee; 4,000 bundles coir yarn, M. Nowrojee & Co.; 17 bales cotton, and 60 bales wool, K. Pitamber; 56 bales cotton, D. Sassoon & Co; 100 bales cotton, L. Naranjee; 100 bales cotton, M. Jamsetjee.

Nemesis, s, 568 bags bahda, 144 bags galls, and 72 bags nux vomica, S. Mooljee; 73 bales cotton, M. Esmail.

European, s, 100 bales cotton, Wallace & Co.; 1,000 bundles myrabollams, S. S. Narrelwalla; 20 bales wool, H. Vansoojee; 4,000 bundles coir yarn, S. Wagjee; 120 cwt. horns, P. Damjee; 95 bales cotton, L. Naranjee; 35 bales cotton, C. Nensy; 81 bales cotton, T. Jewandass, 57 bales cotton, D. Monarjee.

Nebraska, s, 500 bales cotton, Pestl, Cassels & Co.; 355 cwt. horns, K. Khunjee; 103 bales cotton, M. Dayal; 804 bags rapeseed, S. Trybjee & Co.; 200 bales cotton, S. Mooljee; 200 bales cotton, L. Mooljee; 121 bales cotton, N. Bhimjee.

Hindostan, s, 151 bales cotton, Finlay, Scott & Co.; 100 bales cotton, A. Shamjee; 32 bales wool, H. Khetsee; 8 bal s cotton, V. Vrindsees; 50 bales wool, J. Virjee; 55 bales cotton, J. Siegfried & Co.; 100 bales cotton, M. Bartonnee; 81 bales wool, Callijee; 50 bales wool, J. Wurrie.

Royal Sovereign, 309 bal. s cotton, M. Jamsetjee.

FOR LONDON.

[illegible]lin, 434 pieces E. cloth, M. Hurrukchund.

FOR HAVRE.

Hindoostan, s, 551 ales cotton, M. Virbooean; 51 bales cotton, H. Vee khur.

FOR ODESSA.

Hindoostan, s, 200 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers.

FOR TRIESTE.

Arabia, s, 200 bales [cotton, N. Manockjee & Co.; 200 bales cotton, H. B. Touche & Co.; 200 bales cotton, W. & A. Graham & Co.; 50 bal. s cotton, D. Gopejee.

FOR GENOA.

Arabia, s, 100 bales cotton, H. B. Touche & Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Venus, s, 986 bundles sharkfins and fishmaws, and 5 bales cotton and 20 bales white twist, J. Peerbhoy; 158 bundles sharkfins and fishmaws, B. Virsee.

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 23.

Style, Acting Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, Indian Medical Department, on duty, from Kurrachee.

Morgan, Colonel, Royal Artillery, on duty, from Ahmedabad.

Platt, Lieutenant, Royal Artillery, to appear before a medical board, from Mooar.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 23.

Cullinore, Veterinary Surgeon, Central Provinces, on sick leave, to sea.

Pope, Assistant Surgeon, Royal Artillery, on sick certificate, to England.

Creagh, Lieutenant-Colonel, 19th Regiment N. I., on leave, to Nassick.

McCudden, Ensign, 19th Regiment N. I., on leave, to Nassick.

Trench, Captain, 19th Regiment N. I., on leave, to Nassick.

Potti, Staff Assistant Surgeon, Bombay Staff, on duty, to Mhow.

DECEMBER 24.

Beville, Captain, 28th Regiment N. I. L., from leave, to Dhoolia.

POONA DIVISION ORDERS.

BY MAJOR-GENERAL J. T. GRANT, C.B., Commanding Poona Division of the Army.

Poona, 21st December, 1871.

At the recommendation of the Depy Inspr Genl of Hospitals B M S, Staff Asst Surg Purcell, and Asst Apothecary West, are directed to proceed to Bombay and report themselves to the Depy Inspr Genl of Hospitals there, and to return to Poona at the public expense on completion of the duty.

Three medical officers will accompany a Draft of the 1-22nd Regt at Belgaum.

Staff Asst Surg W H Climo, M.D., to proceed on privilege leave, Surg Maj Batty, the next senior Medical Officer, will receive charge of the office of the Depy Inspr Genl of Hospitals, Indian Troops.

Resign G B Hervey, 33rd Regt, having completed his examination for promotion, will rejoin the Detachment of his regt at Bombay, travelling expeditiously by rail at the public expense.

At the recommendation of the Depy Inspr Genl of Hospitals I T, the following medical arrangements are ordered :—

Surg Colston, general duty, Poona, is directed to proceed forthwith to Sergor, at the public expense and receive medical charge of the Poona Horse from Asst Surg Wall, as a temporary measure.

Asst Surg Wall, on being relieved by Surg Colston, is directed forthwith to proceed to Poona at the public expense for general duty.

The undermentioned officer obtained leave :—

Medical Department—Surg Maj Weihe, for 10 days, from the 24th inst, on privilege leave.

ORDERS BY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN INDIA.

Head Quarters, Camp Delhi, 9th December 1871.

70th Foot—Subject to H M's approval, the C-in-C in India is pleased to permit Lt Robert Henry Johnston to retire from the service, by the resignation of his commission, dated the 4th Dec 1871.

109th Foot—Lt William Holden Webb to be Adjt, vice Schmidt, promoted, subject to confirmation by H R H the Field Marshal Comg-in-C, dated the 4th Dec 1871.

The C-in-C in India is pleased to make the following appointments :—

4th Bengal Cavalry—Maj T G Ross, S C, to officiate as 2nd Squad Officer, during the absence of Capt Mitford on furlough, dated the 4th Dec 1871.

Depy Inspr Genl of Hospls T Crawford, MD, is posted on arrival to the Sirhind Circle, vice Depy Inspr Genl of Hospls W Munro, MD, CB, whose tour of service will shortly expire.

The leave granted to Col E Kaye, R A, in G O C C, 1st Nov 1866, p 365, is cancelled, as no portion of it was taken by that officer.

The following orders are confirmed :—

Meerut Division Order, dated the 11th Nov, directing Staff Asst Surg J B Wilson, MD, to do duty temporarily with the 105th Foot, at Meerut.

Umballa Division Order, dated the 15th Nov, directing Staff Asst Surg J H R Tothill to do duty with the 1st Bat 17th Foot, as a temporary measure.

Lahore Division Order, dated the 18th Nov, directing Staff Asst Surg H W Devlin, at present attached to No 3 Baty 22nd Brig R A, Rest Camp, Mean Meer, to take over, from Staff Surg J Munday, medical charge of that brigade, and proceed with it to Allahabad, and to return to Mean Meer on the completion of this duty.

Rohtkund District Order, dated the 21st Nov, directing Asst Surg L E Eades to make over charge of the headquarters of the 1st N I to the Civil Surg, Moradabad, and proceed to Cawnpore and assume medical charge of the 19th N I.

Umritsar Station Order, dated the 27th Oct last, directing Asst Surg D McEwen, M.B., in medical charge of No. 5 Baty 24th Brig R A, and detachment 92nd Highlanders, to assume medical charge of the garrison cells and of the detachment 24th Punjab N I, in addition to his other duties.

Deolee Station Order, dated the 14th March 1871, appointing Surg W Eddowes, Deolee Irregular Force, to the medical charge of the 14th Ben Cav, as a temporary measure, vice Surg E Kendall, proceeding on furlough.

92nd Foot—Regimental Order, dated the 17th Nov, appointing Lt G. A. Hives to act as Qr Mr, vice Qr Mr J. Bignell, proceeded on leave, with effect from the 7th idem.

105th Foot—Regimental Order, dated the 25th Nov, appointing the undermentioned officers as a committee of paymasters, during the illness of Pay-Mr A. Davidson, and until further orders :—

Maj F W J Sewell, president.

Capt G F. Bond, and Capt E Raikes, members.

Capt E Raikes will act as Pay-Mr on the responsibility of the committee.

15th Bengal Cavalry—Regimental Order, dated the 27th Nov, making the following appointments, consequent on the return, from furlough, of Maj J Angelo, 2nd Squad Officer :—

Maj J Angelo, 2nd Squad Officer, to officiate as 2nd in Comd and Squad Officer.

Capt E D H Vibart, 3rd Squadron, to officiate as 2nd Squad Officer.

Capt R Atkins, 1st Squad 3rd, to officiate as 3rd Squad Officer, in addition to his other duties.

18th N I—Regimental Order, dated the 24th Nov, appointing Capt J F Finch Colgan, officiating Int Wing Subs, to officiate as Qr Mr, temporarily, in addition to his other duties, vice Lt W H Browne, proceeded on sick leave to Europe.

24th N I—Regimental Order, dated the 17th Nov, making the following appointments on the departure of Maj C MacFarlane, Wing Officer, to Europe, on furlough :—

Lt E Steelman, Adjt, to officiate as Wing Officer.

Lt P H Wallerstein, Qr Mr, to officiate as Adjt, in addition to his other duties.

The undermentioned officers have leave of absence :—

R A.—2nd Capt R L Kilsby, No. 1 Batty 6th Brig, to England, for six months, from date of embarkation, on private affairs.

5th Foot, 1st Batt—Asst Surg J J McCarthy, M.D., to Bombay, for one month, from date of availing himself of it, to appear before a medical board.

36th Foot—Lt H W Pride, to Bombay, for one month, from date of availing himself of it, to appear before a medical board.

55th Foot—Lt T Drewe, to England, overland, from date of embarkation, to appear before a medical board.

Pay Mr H Barke, to England, overland, from date of embarkation, to appear before a medical board.

60th Foot, 3rd Bat—Capt J S H Algar, to England, overland, from date of embarkation, to appear before a medical board.

Lt and Adjt A H Bircham, to England, for twelve months, from date of embarkation, on private affairs.

63rd Foot—Ens R M Smyth, to England, overland, from date of embarkation, to appear before a medical board.

92nd Foot—Lt Col F Maubeuge, to England, overland from date of embarkation, to appear before a medical board.

Staff Surgeon—Lt-Col J Margrie, Comds 17th N I, to Calcutta, for one month, from date of leaving regiment, preparatory to furlough to Europe on private affairs.

Lt-Col F Duffin, 2nd in Comd and Wing Officer 4th N I, to the hills north of Deyrah and Gotacamund, from the 22nd Nov 1871 to the 22nd May 1872, on medical certificate.

Major G J Pasley, Wing Officer 34th N I, to Bombay, for one month, from date of leaving regiment, preparatory to furlough to Europe, on private affairs.

Maj J A H Bramley, to the hills north of Deyrah, on medical certificate, for six months, from the 13th Sept 1871, under the rules of 1854.

Maj W C Mitchel, Wing Officer 4th N I, to Calcutta, for one month, from date of availing himself of it, to appear before a medical board.

Bengal Cavalry—Col F W Drummond, to Bombay, for one month, from date of quitting station, preparatory to furlough to Europe, on private affairs.

Late 73rd N I—Capt R W Sartorius, to Bombay, for one month, from date of quitting 6th Ben Cav, preparatory to furlough to Europe, on private affairs.

Head Quarters, Camp Delhi, 11th December 1871.

The undermentioned officers are reported by the Board of Examiners at Fort William to have passed, on the 4th Dec. 1871, the tests specified, agreeably to G. G. O. 734 of 1864 :—

High Proficiency in Oordoo.

Asst. Surg. A. Brebner, M.D., 55th Foot.

Persian under Class VIII.

Higher Standard in Hindoostanee.

Ens. C. W. Muir, 1st Bat. 6th Foot.

Lt. C. Barton, 2nd Bat. 19th Foot.

The undermentioned candidates are reported to have passed the lower standard in Hindoostanee on the 4th December :—

Asst Apothy J Houlder, 5th Lancers.

Lt E M Larminie, R E.

Lt-Col J Davis, 37th Foot.

Staff Asst Surg W H Climo, M D., doing duty 37th Foot.

Ens E S King, 37th Foot.

Hospl Apprentices E R Grant do.

Private J Joue, do.

Private J Sullivan, do.

Ens F H Maycock, 58th Foot.

Lt C W H Douglas, 92nd Foot.

Ens J S D'Aguilar, 96th Foot.

Lt J Matthews, Barrack Dept.

The following orders are confirmed :—

Nagpur Station Order, dated the 27th Nov, appointing Staff Asst Surg R G Segrave to the medical charge of the garrison cells, vice Asst Surg J J Pope, proceeding on leave on medical certificate.

92nd Foot—Regimental Order, dated the 4th Dec, making the following appointments :—

Lt W H Webb to officiate as Adjt, vice Capt O Schmidt, who vacates on promotion.

Lt A Balderston to officiate as Adjt to the detached half bat, vice Webb.

21st N I—Regimental Order, dated the 1st Dec, making the following appointments consequent on the return from leave of Capt J M Stewart, offg 2nd in Comd :—

Capt J G T Carruthers to officiate as Wing Officer.

Lt G H C Dyce to officiate as Adjutant.

Lt W Harris to officiate as Qr-mr, in addition to his other duties.

23rd N I—Regimental Order, dated the 1st Dec, making the following temporary appointments, consequent on the arrival of Maj H Fellowes, S C, appointed to officiate as Wing Officer :—

Maj H Fellowes, officiating Wing Officer, to officiate as 2nd in Comd and Wing Officer.

Capt A D Anderson, officiating 2nd in Comd, to officiate as Wing Officer.

Lt R Paterson, Qr Mr and officiating Wing Officer to officiate as Adjt.

Lt S V Gordon, 1st Wing Sub and officiating Adjt, to officiate as Qr Mr, in addition to his other duties.

24th N I—Regimental Order, dated the 27th Nov, making the following appointment, consequent on the rejoining from furlough of Lt C S Hogge, 2nd Wing Sub, with effect from the 26th idem :—

Lt C S Hogge to officiate as Qr Mr in addition to his other duties.

RELIEFS AND MOVEMENTS—PASSAGE—GUARDS AND ESCORTS.

Under instructions from Government, the Right Hon. the Commander-in Chief is pleased to direct that when the strength of troops in garrison may admit, native troops returning from escort or other duty shall, on the score of economy, as a rule proceed by route march.

2. The Commanding Officer who issues the order directing the return of the party will however decide, with regard to the troops being wanted quickly or otherwise, as to the mode of travelling to be adopted.

BENGAL GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(*Calcutta Gazette*, Dec. 20.)

Mr James Austin Bourdillon, Asst Magis and Collr, Patna, is transferred temporarily to Shahabad.

Mr Francis William Badcock, Asst Magis and Collr, to have charge of the Subdivision of Mudheypoorah in Bhaugulpore, during the absence, on leave, of Mr William Brown Martin, or until further orders.

Mr John Masters to be a member of the Local Committee of Public Instruction at Malda.

Mr William LeFleming Robinson to be Magis and Collr of Dinagepore, in the first grade, with effect from the 13th September last.

Mr William Blundell officiated as Sub Depy Opium Agent of Allygunge, from the 14th Aug to the 8th Oct last.

Capt John Henry Willoughby Osborne, Depy Supt of Revenue Survey, Second Division, is vested with the powers of a Collr under Act XX. of 1848 in Durrung.

NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES ORDERS.

(*Government Gazette, N. W. Provinces*, Dec. 23.)

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments :—

Dr G B Pemberton, Officiating Civil Surgeon of Almorah, to officiate as Superintendent and Medical Officer of the Jail at that station, and to be invested with the necessary powers under Section VII of the Prison Act (XXVI of 1870), with effect from the 24th November, 1871.

Mr George Henry Mildmay Ricketts, C S, to be District and Sessions Judge of Allahabad, from the date of the expiry of the privilege leave granted to him by the Notification in the Revenue Department, No 1776A, dated 14th Nov last.

Mr William Ashburner Forbes, C S, to officiate as Commissioner of the Agra Division, from the date he was relieved by Mr. Shakespear.

Mr William Ralph Benson to be Magistrate and Collector of Jounpore from the date on which he is relieved of the Judgeship of Allahabad by Mr Ricketts.

[illegible] to be Joint Magistrate and Depy Collr of Jounpore from the date on which he is relieved of the Magis and Collectorship by Mr Benson.

Capt Frank William Chatterton, offg Jr Asst Comr, Kumaon, is re-appointed as offg Asst Comr, Juansie, with effect from the date on which he is relieved by Capt George Edward Bruce.

With effect from the 13th Sept last, the date on which Maj Alexander Howe Bramley proceeded on sick leave—

Capt Horatio Nelson Noble, 3rd grade District Supt, to officiate in the 2nd grade.

Mr Richard Waddington, 4th grade District Supt, to officiate in the 3rd grade.

Local Lieut R J Young, 5th grade district Supt, to officiate in the 4th grade.

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RICHARD L. T. KEY,
Honorary Secretary.

Bombay, 19th December 1871.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS ONE RUPEE, AND THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

EUROPE.

DEATH.

BLACKWELL—December 19th, at 48, Vicarage Road, Camberwell, after many years of suffering, Mary Sophia, the beloved wife of John Blackwell, of Bombay.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

GREEN—December 13th, at Lahore, the wife of Mr. A. D. Green, Station Master, of a daughter.

MILLER—December 14th, at Terriont Froh Estate, South Wynaad, the wife of S. A. Miller, of a son.

PORTER—December 13th, at Agra, the wife of John Campbell Porter, of a daughter.

SOUTHON—December 18th, at Seetapore, the wife of Mr. J. Southon, Public Works Department, of a daughter.

THOMSON—December 16th, at Surat, the wife of Edmund Thompson, Esq., Principal of the Presidency College, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

PERROT—MEYER—DENDALL—December 16th, at St. John's Cathedral, Calcutta, Jules Perrot, Esq., C.E., to Christine, daughter of the late C. Meyer, Esq.

YALDWYN—DENDALL—December 18th, at Goordaspore, by the Rev. B. M. Behr, B.A., Chaplain of Umritsar, Alfred George Yaldwyn, Lieutenant, B.S.C., son of General Yaldwyn, Madras Army, to Mary Gertrude, daughter of Colonel Fendall, Deputy Commissioner, Goordaspore.

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The Bombay Gazette.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1871.

"CONFOUND the schoolmasters, they will lose us an Empire won by British pluck," or, "the sole result of education in India is to make the upper classes revolutionary, the middle sententiously impudent, and the lower familiar." Such are the usual dicta with which the subject of public instruction is generally introduced and dispatched. To such critics we can wish no worse fate than to be made to read Mr. Peile's last report on instruction, statistics and all. The report is a good-sized volume of neat type with a mass of information that is perfectly appalling, and yet so compiled and written in such clear and forcible language that, despite the natural repulsiveness of a report full of statistics, the book is, on the whole, attractive reading. If any one has an American hankering after magnitude, he will find plenty in this volume to satisfy his Titanic cravings. Whether the extent of territory supervised by the Director of Public Instruction be looked at, or the numbers of the population, or the diversities of language through the medium of which knowledge has to be transmitted, be taken into account, the result is equally astonishing. The educational circle under this Presidency extends from the north of Sind to the south of the district of Canara, say 1,300 miles as the roads lie; from the Persian to the Chinese frontiers of Beloochistan and Punjab to the north-western limits of Mysore and Madras. It includes a mass of conservative and jealous native States, each apprehensive of the revolutionizing consequences of education, and, even where they admit Mr. Peile's "infernal machine," so jealous of each other that they refuse to co-operate for the purpose of supporting one common inspector. The languages to be taught are Sindhi, Gujarathi, Mahrathi, Hindustani, Portuguese, Canarese, Hebrew, Arabic, English: to say nothing of Latin, Greek, Sanskrit, Persian, and the other languages taught in the colleges and higher schools. Turning to the numbers of the population, which, in the absence of a Census, can only be roughly estimated, it may be computed that no less than 20 millions of people are to be found within the area already given, which is about 90,000 square miles.

The different grades of instruction necessary for such a diverse and vast population are thus explained in the report for last year now before us:—"Government offer the elementary branch school for the day labourer; the central village school for the villager of higher station or aims; the middle class English school for the residents in the large or small country town; and the High School for the student intended for the College." If our friends the critics now ask what can be the possible use of the State expending a quarter of a million sterling per annum on this object, the best reply will be that instruction in the three R's is needed for the labourer in order to make him independent of the scheming village writer or the deceiving Soukar, to enable him to understand the proper value of the grain which he has in store, and to rid his mind of nonsensical superstitions, and to prepare him to adopt improvements in his social customs, in sanitation, and in the processes of agriculture and manufacture. To the villager of higher aims a sound vernacular training in the system of native accounts, in reading roman papers with fluency and making abstracts therefrom, and in a slight acquaintance with the course of Indian history and geography, is essential before he can obtain a second class certificate qualifying for the lower grades of the public service. The resident in the town must attain to a slight knowledge of English sufficient to enable him to write an abstract of papers in English, must study mathematics, and be well up in his vernacular, before he can obtain a first class certificate qualifying for the higher grades of public service; whilst finally the pupil at the High School aims at completing his educational career by a University course, and thence emerging into the highest posts of Government service, or filling important positions of trust in mercantile houses, or practising on his own account at the bar. It thus appears that education in India is distinctly a State affair; and, when it is considered how far social and intellectual morality in India differs from Western notions, and of what importance it is that public servants should be sharp and honest, whether they be village patels, koolkurnees, or talook mamlutdars, or district hoozoor deputies, head clerks, or other employés of Government, it will be sufficiently evident that, if Mr. Peile's work effects but one thousandth part of what is wanted of it, he must be one of the most important officers in our scheme of centralised government. That he has not been idle during this past year is proved by his report. Last year more than a quarter of a million sterling was spent on education in the Province, towards which an imperial grant was made exceeding £100,500, the rest being contributed from local sources including the endowments and contributions both of native States and private individuals. We congratulate Mr. Peile on the skill which he must have exercised in order to wring from the Supreme Government a constantly increasing grant, but we fear that the fatal edict of December 14 will somewhat limit his extension in this direction, unless he can by his importunities wring a further grant in future out of provincial funds from the local Government. The result of his expenditure last year has been a large increase both in schools and scholars, so that, roughly speaking, there may be said to be at present 200,000 boys under instruction and more than 3,000 schools and colleges in existence. As it is only thirty-one years since the Board of Education commenced its work with 159 schools and 6,702 pupils, the numerical results attained are the best evidence of the vitality of the Department of Public Instruction.

The late changes introduced by the system of "feeders" and general reorganization of the High Schools seem already to be bearing good fruit, as the number of successful candidates for the University Matriculation, whom we reported two or three days back in our columns, exceeded 225, whilst for the previous two years it has remained stationary at 142. But, after all, the matter of primary importance is the education of the masses in the simple R's. This is not merely a matter of policy, but of good faith. The educational cess levied in each talooka is by law ordered to be spent within the talooka, and this claim sanctioned by law and custom is one with which the sections of districts would be most loth to part. Yet it appears that whilst in this Presidency, exclusive of Sind, there are some 40,000 villages and hamlets, as yet there are only 2,389 Government primary schools. Unless Government supplies these primary schools, it is not likely that the people will themselves supply the deficiency. For, in the first place, till this first step in education has been made, the masses are not likely to feel the want of instruction, being too ignorant to judge of the value which knowledge will be to them when they are unable even to read or write. No school could therefore be self-supporting in such a backward village where the effective desire for education is so small. Secondly, supposing that the people are alive to their interests, and desire a school for their children, the elementary schools supported by fees and private efforts are sure to be bad, inasmuch as the villagers being poor are unable to pay heavy fees, and the proprietors of the primary school will take out in the quality of their instruction the loss which they sustain in the smallness of their fees. If there are any well-informed teachers in the market they will invariably invest their talents in a higher class school, and only the worst of instructors will set up an elementary school for poor rustics. On these grounds Mr. Peile is quite right to look to Government for any large extension of low grade vernacular schools, and leave it to public enterprise to supplement the higher flights only of national education. Our article is already too long, and we leave for the future the great question of grants in aid; but we must congratulate the Director throughout on the clearness and interest of his whole report.

In order that our establishment may to-day enjoy the usual Christmas holiday, we shall not publish the *Gazette* to-morrow.

The death of Lord Ellenborough, formerly Governor General of India, is announced in to-day's telegraphic news.

We copy the following strange telegram, dated "Cal

TEST TELEGRAMS.

[PER REUTER'S AGENCY.]

H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES.

THE TICHBORNE TRIAL.

LOSS OF THE S.S. DELAWARE.

FRANCE AND PRUSSIA.

HOLLAND.

THE OUTWARD ENGLISH MAILS.

LONDON, 22ND DEC., AFT.

A bulletin issued at noon states that H. R. H. the Prince of Wales was rather less quiet during last night, but that his general condition continues the same as yesterday.

The Tichborne trial has been adjourned until the 15th of January. The case for the claimant has closed.

The s.s. Delaware, bound to Calcutta, has foundered off Scilly; only the first and third officers were saved.

Parliament has been prorogued for the 6th of February.

BERLIN, 22ND DEC.

A despatch from Prince Bismarck to Count Arnim, referring to the acquittal of the murderers of German soldiers, threatens henceforth to seize French hostages if the assassins are not surrendered.

AMSTERDAM, 22ND DEC.

The Dutch Chambers have passed the Redemption Bill.

M. Englevaart's resignation has been accepted, and M. Broex has been appointed interim Minister for War.

LONDON, 22ND DEC.

OBITUARY.—Earl of Ellenborough.

LONDON, 23RD DEC.

The bulletin issued at noon to-day states that H. R. H. the Prince of Wales has passed a quiet night, and that the progress of recovery, though gradual, is steady.

The *Home News* of yesterday believes that the order for the retirement of Colonel Mowbray Taomson has been cancelled.

LONDON, 21ST DEC., AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market to-day closed firmer.

Fair Dhollera, 7¾d.

The Bank of England Returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—

Bank of England notes....£15,250,000. Inc. £250,000.
Bills discounted....£16,250,000. Inc. £312 000.
Bullion .....£24,937,500. Inc. £312,500.

LONDON, 22ND DEC.; NOON.

The Liverpool Cotton market to-day opens firm.

Total Weekly Sales of Cotton ..	64,000	bales.
,, ,, Surats ..	18,000	,,
Actual Stock of Cotton	438,000	,,
,, ,, Surats	281,000	,,
Total Weekly Import of Cotton.	48,000	,,
,, ,, Surats	3,000	,,

LONDON, 22ND DEC., AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market to-day closed firm.

Fair Dhollera, 7¾d.

The Manchester Market has been firm but little doing.

7 lbs. Shirtings, 8s. 3d.
8¼ lbs. do. 9s. 7½d.
40's Mule Twist, 1s. 1¼d.

ADEN, 23RD DEC.

The s.s. Mongolia with the outward Indian Mail left here for Bombay at 1 P.M. to-day.

THE EUROPEAN POOR OF BOMBAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I come now to consider the best means of carrying for the European poor of Bombay, and the establishment of a well organized district system of relief somewhat after the manner of that which is now in force with a committee, the working members of which should be residents in the locality. Such a system is actually in existence in Bombay, and was established in 1862 by the Roman Catholics, to whose credit and honour be it said that their appreciation of the Christian duty of "regarding the poor" is more clearly perceived in their work than in that of any other body of professing Christians in this city. With small means, the Society of St. Vincent De Paul has done much good, and there is not a corner of Bombay into which the active benevolence of the Society has not penetrated. The Roman Catholic Bishop, aided by three or four of the leading members of the Catholic community, form a central or ruling committee. Every other class of destitute poor can and do fall back upon relatives or friends. The destitute European woman is alone the utterly forsaken one; for her there is no public benevolence, no public sympathy; the rich ignore her existence, and she may live or perish without inquiry and without a friend. And the heroism which some of our country women display in adversity is really astonishing. I will give one illustration. A recently widowed wife, with five young children, was stricken with severe disease; it was pointed out to her that the care and quiet of the hospital were necessary to her recovery in her then helpless and destitute condition. Her tearful eyes, brightened as in a flash of inspiration, seemed to say, "God fits the shoulders to the burden, and if you will only try and help me, I will surely get well, and, according to the measure of her faith, she did "get well" without seeking shelter in a hospital.

I am not prepared to say who should take the lead in a movement of the kind I have proposed. The responsibility is upon us all, and I don't think it matters very much who takes the trouble to invite the European public to a meeting. I am quite certain about the advantages of having a central directing and controlling board, which should consist of a very small number of leading gentlemen. The district boards may have the fullest number of committee-men—the more the merrier! I conclude with the earnest inquiry—are we to have to a Christmas meeting, or a meeting in Christmas week, to consider the European poor?

21st December. THOMAS BLANEY.

AN INDIAN CHRISTMAS STORY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Having perused with much interest the narrative of Major Charpoy about his discussions with the Sessions Judge of Chuperpur, and entirely detesting the opinions of the latter as to making divorces easy, I send, you in the interests of public morality, a phase of life which occurred at that station under my own eyes and those of the Madras Government, and which I may candidly entitle—

MARRIAGE—AN ADVANTAGE:

A STORY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AT CHRISTMAS TIME.

When I was Executive Engineer for Irrigation at Chuperpur, I was one forenoon, in the rains, seated in my verandah checking some muster rolls brought by my supervisor, Sergeant Stubbs, when a young gentleman in a bullock-cart drove up to my porch, and, on my rising to receive him, presented me with his card and a letter. The perusal of these two documents made it clear to my comprehension that the young man was Lieutenant Thomas Spigot, of the Queen's Regiment, of which a detachment was then quartered at Chuperpur; and also that his father, of the firm of Spigot, Tap, and Drayhorse, brewers, Islington, was connected in business affairs with a brother-in-law of mine in the city. With the hospitality, which in the Indian services is as much a pleasure as a duty, I cordially invited him to stay with me till he found himself a bungalow or a chum, and I ordered my servants to put his kit in a detached bungalow in my compound. The young fellow seemed to take it too much as a matter of course, but no reflective man cares much about mere manner, so I postponed judgment upon his disposition till I knew him better. It has often been said that Indians know each other so well, because they are often in the same small house for days together. I was quickly aware that the young scion of the brewery thought no small beer of himself. He cursed John Bright the first night as a blackguard, and, when I hinted that I did not approve of such terms being applied to a Cabinet Minister, he only laughed. He afterwards alluded to Lord Lawrence as a poop, and Sir W. Mansfield as a sharper. I had therefore coolly to inform him that he would not be allowed to use such language in my presence regarding the Viceroy and his Council, and he was quieter for about two days. Then he launched out into *esprit de corps*: sneered at the Anglo-Indian officers, said what was very true, that now-a-days the Engineers and Artillery were only competition-wallas, and, what I thought very insulting, that they ought not to take precedence of the unscientific corps. I gently warned him that I was one of these Engineers, myself, which he seemed to have forgotten; and still I pardoned him, knowing well that ignorance and youth are often uncivil, and that moderation usually comes only with experience. I even overheard female voices in his room at night, and took no notice till at length he began to entertain me with some of his amorous proceedings, which induced me from fear of Mrs. Grundy to hint to him that if he wished to play that game he had better take a house of his own. Not understanding the hint, he stayed a week or two longer, when his thoughts were diverted, as also were mine, by a new arrival, a real English spin. The fact was that Colonel Squib, of the N. I., had imported his daughter Rosa.

Being the head of an important department, and also one of those well paid, serious, respectable bachelors that steady married people almost pardon for being celibates, they are so much like married men, I thought that it behoved me to show alacrity in homage to the sex and went by myself in uniform to call on the young lady. I found her a blooming damsel, tall and with fine shoulders. Her black eyes were bold and piercing; her voice was one of command; and her attitudes were graceful as those of the wild deer. We talked a few minutes on common subjects—whether she liked India, if the cold weather would really be a winter, and so forth;—and then, taking my whole perspective on her retina, with one look, she said, "I feel sure that we have met before and at home." I replied that I was not aware of the honour, when, with the utmost courtesy, she inquired whether I had been to Scarborough; and on my saying "Yes," she went on, "Then don't you remember me when I was bathing in the sea, and my dress was coming off, and you came and held it on?" I did remember it then, but I am very bashful, and could not help blushing instead of answering. She did not pity my confusion a bit, but began to use badinage and discomfited me very much; so I contrived to withdraw on some pretence or other, much disturbed. I said nothing about this, but in the course of the week I found out that *she* had; and, whenever I went to dine at the houses of my friends, some one or other was sure to divert the conversation to the sea, and then to bathing, and then to Scarborough, and then to the queer people that went there, on which all my friends would smile and look hard at me. At last I admitted the soft impeachment. It really never harms a shrewd mathematical Engineer, if he does get suspected of gallantry. It even adds to his reputation, and all the married ladies began to have hopes that I might do something yet. But I really believe the young lady cared nothing about me, because of my red nose and stubbly hair that oil had no effect upon.

It was far otherwise with Spigot. He was the only young bachelor in the place, the Native Infantry officers being married, and the young Civil Servants out at odd sorts of places in the collectorate. I was too old and serious to be counted. So Spigot found himself admired, and he was much pleased with the conversations he had. He quickly accepted a hint that he might attend at morning rides, and he always got off parade on her father's croquet-party nights. Usually on Sundays he went to church in order to be asked to dinner, and the young bumpkin thought he had only to be seen to be admired, and actually had the impertinence to repeat to me some of Rosa's criticisms on myself and my scientific corps. She, it seemed, had taken up with his prejudice against us for being selected for the army by competition, and had made a very clever remark, which was nevertheless so bitter that I would rather forget it than repeat it. Perhaps, however, both only echoed the opinions of the Horse Guards, who exclude us as much as possible from both Commands and the Staff College.

As the weeks rolled away, Spigot got a bungalow of his own: he got also a remittance from Europe, and bought more furniture than a Subaltern ought to have: he collected knick-knacks and purchased two tubs. He often used to slope over to me for a peg or to change a bank note, and I began to see that he was in love, and on the eve of making proposals,—when lo! I received a letter from his father, through my brother-in-law, asking me as I valued my own children (who did not then exist) to look after his boy, and prevent him doing anything foolish. My readers may have seen that I was not much affected towards the lad; but hatred is a useless passion, and besides—

It is ave well to be cevril
As the auld wife said when she becked to the deevil.

I therefore sounded him on the subject, and seeing that along with much common passion there was some love, some intention to self-sacrifice, I seriously believed that it would be to his ultimate advanage that he should be spliced. And, therefore I asked when he meant to pass in Hindustani, and what he meant to do. He soon unbosomed himself, and informed me that, if she would have him, he would pass in Hindustani and enter the Staff Corps. I examined him in the language, gave him some advice, and, as he seemed to know enough for that contemptible examination, I agreed to assist him in his studies and his love. And for the first time he seemed grateful to me, and I entertained a better opinion of him than before. The morning rides, the croquet parties, and the quiet dinners went on faster and faster; and I myself had them both out to the opening of a small bridge where they could ramble alone in the evening amongst the corinda bushes. Miss Squib knew that I was assisting, and began to show me some attention and much complacency, but what annoyed me was that they went on making love to each other in my presence as if I was an old fogey or a bachelor godfather. Strapping girls ought not to be kissed except in seclusion, because other people get envious.

It was at this picnic that the Assistant Collector in charge of the Treasury first saw her, and showed her several attentions. He was not touched in the least, but Spigot thought so; and became so cross and snappish with her, that I anticipated she would say something that would end their attachment to each other. Many a marriage has been promoted by such jealousy and petulance. But Rosa was a good girl, and I believe she loved him and rather liked that he should be jealous even if snappish. He came home with a heavy heart, and from pity I asked him to pot-luck to cheer him up. And then he told me something about it, and his feelings, as regarded the Civilian. He said, "These Civilians are such clever fellows, and they get good pay." I encouraged by assuring him that he was likely to win, that he had the great advantage of having been in the field first; he was like a General who had chosen his own position and could fortify it at leisure. I advised him to do the sentimental; to borrow the weapons of poetry and hoist him on his own petard (to use an Engineering phrase) by shooting in a Valentine. Spigot confessed that he knew that the treasurer had written some verses, and that he himself had tried to imitate him, but could not find rhymes, or, if he did, he could not find words to put in front of them; his mind was like a pair of trousers without any braces, so far as poetry was concerned. I said, "Never you mind—we'll get them out of a book," and I suggested the following:

Oh stay, Madonna, stay.
'Tis not the dawn of day
That unto the skies with yonder opal streak;
The stars in silence shine—
Then press thy lips to mine,
And rest upon my neck thy fervid cheek.

Oh fly, Madonna, fly!
Lest day and envy spy
What only night and love may safely know;
Fly, and tread softly, dear,
Lest those that hate us hear
The sound of thy light footsteps as they go

He was pleased enough with this; but, on reading it twice, I thought it ambiguous as well as gushing. There was no real need for such fondness; and a little disdain is often of use in winning the fair sex, as Ovid informs us. I advised him to talk about going on leave to Bangalore or England, and at his urgent request told him I would prepare a suitable sonnet for him. After he had left me, I got my Delphin Horace, and, in the stillness of the cool night, managed to make the following free translation of the Eleventh Ode, Ad Leuconoen:—

Dear Rosa, o'er the Book of Fate
Why shade those eyes of blue?
Or ask the gods to fix the date
Of either me or you?
For death is sure: and soon or late
Is sure to part us two.

What will be, will be; let us try
To bear and not to grieve.
'Tis on the cards that one may die
Ere I return from leave,
Or possibly your kiss of joy
May welcome my reprieve.

Then leave the future in its shroud—
Enjoy when still we may;
Nor let sad thoughts of chances cloud
The present bliss to-day:
Since life's short term has not allowed
Long hopes to make much way.

These lingering courtships time may mar;
Sweet Rosebud, do agree—
While I'm commuted in Chuperpur,
Come and put chains on me
Whom rapidly you shall shikar,
Who longs to be free.

But, while I write, the time-piece ticks
"There's little time to spare!—
Before I leave there's but three weeks
Your pa and ma to square.
Dear Rosa, say the place and day,
And I'll be punctual there.

He was satisfied with this next day at dinner, and, after the finger glasses had been used, we took out the blank card in a new pack, and he inscribed them on it, and they were sent to the fair Rosa that night in an envelope sealed with Spigot's crest and motto "Bibendum." I shook him warmly by the hand, and, bidding him be of good cheer, said good night. And I heard afterwards that he tossed about restlessly till the dawning of the day. That day was a very novel and important one to him, and to me too.

They say lovers' eyes are swift to see and lovers' ears in hearing. When on morning parade, Spigot had seen, through the misty air, old Colonel Squib walking his horse down towards the British lines, muttering and cursing as he went; and with the instinct of self-preservation the young man galloped as hard as he could towards my quarters for advice and safety. I asked him whether, now that he had put his foot in it, he wished to retreat, and, on his firmly declining, I sent his horse to the stable and consoled himself in my office, beyond my bed-room, with Forbes' Hindustani Phrases for company, guessing that Squib would soon come over to look for him. He came as I expected, looking portentous: he walked straight into my drawing-room, where I was painting some butterflies on a card, and, holding out the ode of Horace, said, "What does *that* mean?" Hypocrisy would have been useless. I was quite prepared for him, and, after reading over the verses twice, I said quite as laconically as himself, "That means business." He then sat down somewhat relieved: talked the usual preliminaries about trifling with affections, &c., and asked if I was willing and able to come to an arrangement. Of course I was: I only waited to hear his terms: and hinted that to make a start a good round sum must be paid down at once, as furnishing was so expensive:—a married man must begin with a set for breakfast, dinner, and dessert, as well as morning tea, both china and glass, and the godown must be filled with wines. He grumbled a good deal and said that he had started in matrimony without any such assistance, and that he loved his wife so well even then that these affairs never entered his head, so much the better. I lazily and at intervals remarked that times had changed: society expected every married officer to entertain, and pay did not go so far as it used to. He at length acquiesced and murmured something about steady, respectable young men, and then began to pat me on the back and asked how I liked Rosa. I replied, to which I answered that Miss Rosa and he had, I believed, made up their paction true together. The Colonel started in astonishment, and recovering himself at last said he thought that it had been me, especially as the puttewala had received the note from my hamal, and that he would have preferred me as a son-in-law; but still young people had their own fancies, he afterwards observed, and one ought to be thankful for small mercies. I felt ashamed at not having seen what his previous purport had been, but said what I honestly could in favour of Spigot; and on Squib agreeing to pay down Rs. 1,500 at the start I offered to make terms about a good settlement through my brother-in-law. I then went and fetched Spigot: the usual ceremonies were gone through, and thus the father agreed that the verses should be at once given to Rosa clandestinely and in a new envelope and we should all dine together at his house that night. The dinner went off very well, and, after dinner, Spigot and Rosa went off together for a moonlight walk in the garden, while Colonel and Mrs. Squib imparted to me in confidence their satisfaction with the finale and gratitude to myself for acting so discreetly and quietly as a mutual friend.

Soon after this, the marriage took place, but I need not describe it: in about five weeks after, we heard that a moderate allowance had been settled upon them by the father, and the Commander-in-Chief soon made young Spigot a Sub-Assistant Quartermaster General. In a year or two old Spigot got his son to go home, and, on being offered an interest in the Brewery, the latter resigned his commission into the hands of our beloved Queen. The first boy was christened Thomas Horace after in allusion to his father, the post of Brindisi, and myself, and I should have stood god-father but that I belong to the Free Kirk. Spigot is now a member of the Court of Common Council, and is going to try for Parliament in the Conservative interest at a borough in the eastern counties. He always speaks with veneration of the Christian and all sound and authorized law in India, and is a regular Benthamite as regards vested interests, particularly those of licensed publicans. She is also greatly improved, and being now low-church does a great deal for all charities, Dorcas Societies, tract distributors, and local preachers. She acts an example of high propriety to all the matrons and maids in the comes merum; and it is only on the ground of old acquaintance that she occasionally chaffs me in her letters about still being a bachelor. I am touched but been framed in gold, and I believe it is from her own composition of her husband. When I was in England on leave I went to see them and got into some very good society that way. I once met Lord John Manners at their table. I presented young Thomas Horace Peter with a Delphin Horace to use as soon as he enters at Eton, and they have promised to send me an annual barrel of beer, and to use their political interest in getting me made Superintending Engineer as soon as the Conservatives come into power. At Chupperpur, I have maintained against both Charpoy and the Judge that in this case matrimony has decidedly improved two very ordinary and disagreeable persons; although they sometimes show a want of refinement, that is only because what is bred in the bone will come out of the flesh; you can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear, but I maintain that both Spigot and his wife are making the world better than it would have been without them, and that to both of them marriage was an advantage and an example to others.

PETER MACFLAIL.

Camp, Chota Chuperpur, 15th December 1871.

BOMBAY.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY.—To-day being the Christmas holiday all the public offices will be closed.

SMALL CAUSES COURT.—On Friday last 163 new suits were filed in the Small Causes Court.

FAIR.—The annual fair at Sunkersett's temple, Tardeo, commences from to-morrow (Tuesday.)

HACK BUGGIES.—The Commissioner of Police granted, up till Friday, 536 licences to owners of hack buggies.

COLABA COMPANY.—Mr. Nanabhoy Byramjee Jeejeebhoy has been elected a director of the Colaba Company.

THE OORUS FESTIVAL.—The annual Oorus festival (Mahim fair) commences from to-morrow, and will last more than a week.

THE POOR-BOX.—The Senior Magistrate acknowledges with thanks the receipt of Rs. 100 (one hundred) from "L," contributed to the Fort Police Court poor-box.

KATTYWAR.—The headquarters of the Federal Scabundee, Southern Districts, Kattywar, will be at the Civil Station, Manickwara, under Superintendent Lieutenant Humphrey.

FIRE.—On Friday, a fire broke out at Nowrosjee Hill in a house which was stored with the husks of rice, but by the exertions of the neighbouring people it was soon put out.

THE DEPUTY SHERIFF.—We were mistaken in saying that Mr. Malins, the Deputy Sheriff, intended to resign on the 1st January next. He has no intention at present of doing so on that or any other date.

THE THAKORE OF MANSA.—The *Chundrodya* states that the Thakore of Mansa has arrived at Ahmedabad to take the opinion of the vakeels of that station on matters connected with his territory.

ESCAPING FROM LEGAL CUSTODY.—James Callishan, a European engineer, was on Saturday charged before the Senior Magistrate with escaping from legal custody, and was sentenced to a month's rigorous imprisonment.

POLICE COURT.—During the Christmas holidays the Police Courts will be opened only for the disposal of morning cases. Mr. Connon will sit in the Girgaum Police Court, and Mr. Nana Morojee in the Fort Police Court.

A PRISONER SENT TO THE TANNA JAIL.—Nana Babajee, who was sentenced at the last Criminal Sessions to fourteen years' rigorous imprisonment on a charge of extensive robbery, was forwarded to the Tanna jail last week.

THE LATE MILITARY SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—Major-General W. F. Marriott, late Military Secretary to Government, who arrived here from England on Thursday, left for Mahableshwur on Saturday to visit H. E. the Governor.

THE DAUGHTER OF THE GAEKWAR.—We stated the other day that Cumabaee, the daughter of H. H. Mulharao, gave birth to a son. We now learn that on this auspicious day a large sum of money was distributed among Brahmins and others.

FURIOUS RIDING.—At the Fort Police Court on Saturday, a Mahomedan named Raymon Mahomed was charged before Mr. Connon with riding an animal on the Baboola Tank road in a rash and negligent manner. He was convicted and fined five rupees.

A FEROCIOUS DOG.—A Hindoo named Luxmon Ramjee was on Saturday charged before Mr. Cooper with suffering a ferocious dog belonging to him to be at large without a muzzle. The defendant agreed to send the dog to Pinjrapoole, and was acquitted.

THEFT OF A CURRENCY NOTE.—On Saturday the Magistrate at the Girgaum Police Court sentenced a Mahomedan named Fuckeer Esub to six months' rigorous imprisonment for stealing a ten-rupee currency note and five rupees in cash, the property of Mr. L. S. Braganza.

SMALL CAUSES COURT.—At the Small Causes Court on Friday, before Judge Manockjee Curseljee, a Marwary sued a Parsee on three promissory notes, one of Rs. 100 and the two others of Rs. 200 each. The defendant pleaded that he had paid the amount; but as he had no receipt, he called witnesses to prove that he had paid the money.

DEATH FROM DROWNING.—A coroner's inquest was held on Friday at the Cooperage, on the body of a Portuguese, which was found that morning lying among the stones which form the sea-wall at the reclamation works at Back Bay. Dr. Temperly Gray, who had examined the body, was of opinion that the cause of death was drowning. The enquiry has been adjourned till Wednesday next.

ACCIDENT.—On Saturday morning while Mr. Norman's coachman was driving a pair of horses and break along the Gowalla Tank road, the horses shied at a buffaloe, and ran against Mr. Nowrosjee Davur's gate, Warden Road, breaking the upper part of the break, and damaging the gateway. Dr. Mackenzie, who was passing on the road, examined the coachman, and said that he was not much injured.

DAVE CARSON'S COMPANY give another performance to-morrow evening in Grant Road Theatre, when Mr. Herberte will take his benefit. Mr. Herberte must now be well known to the Bombay public, for he has been connected with Mr. Carson for a number of years, and his singing has always secured him a very flattering reception. Dave has a good programme for to-morrow evening, and considering that this is the festive season he will no doubt be greeted by a crowded house.

A CONSENT DECREE.—At the Civil Court on Saturday, before Sir Charles Sargent, Mr. C. M. Chareff, instructed by Messrs. Dallas and Lynch, applied for a consent decree for the plaintiff in the case of Aneeabace, widow, v. Byramjee Bozonjee and others. Mr. Hormusjee A. Wadya, instructed by Messrs. Hearn, Cleveland and Peile, on behalf of the defendants, consented to a decree being made. His Lordship then passed a decree for plaintiff for Rs. 5,941, with interest and costs.

THE WEATHER.—During the whole of Friday last there was a strong westerly breeze, which in the afternoon carried over us heavy clouds, and late in the evening there was a slight shower. On Saturday morning the wind was from the north, and the residents of Bombay awoke to the first really cold day we have had this season. The change in the temperature was most exhilarating, for the air was clear and refreshing. Yesterday we enjoyed similar weather, and we hope that it may continue for at least a couple of months. The rain-fall as gauged at the Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy Hospital was 18 cents. We are informed by the Cotton Commissioner that a heavy shower of rain fell at Broach on Friday afternoon, and that the weather then looked "threatening" at that place.

THE TURF AT POONA.—The *Poona Observer* publishes the prospectus of the Poona cold weather meeting, which it has every reason to believe will be a success. In addition to two days' sport published, it hears that there will be a Purse presented by a sporting Rajah now on visit to that station. The officers of the 1st Light Cavalry have in the most sporting manner thrown open their Regimental Race Course for all horses that may be trained for the cold weather meeting, free of galloping fees.

WE are happy to mention the return from England of the Rev. J. V. S. Taylor, of the Irish Presbyterian Gujerat Mission, in improved health.—*Bombay Guardian.*

BOMBAY MEDICAL MISSION.—The work of the Bombay Medical Mission is proceeding most successfully under the superintendence of Dr. Webb. A large number of patients attend daily at the dispensary, and the other branches of the work are carefully looked after. We understand that the funds of the Mission are at rather a low ebb.—*Ibid.*

WE regret much to hear that Mr. and Mrs. Beard, or, to speak after their own manner, Elkanah and Irena Beard, of the denomination of Friends, who came from America about two years ago to carry on Mission work in India, are obliged to return on account of failure of health. They were at first at Benares and have been latterly at Jubbulpore. The *Friend* publishes letters from them expressive of their great sorrow in being obliged to leave the work. We learn from these letters that Rachel Metcalfe remains in India, the only representative of her denomination engaged in mission work here.—*Ibid.*

HEAD CONSTABLE NIHALSING, of Bassim, who lately attempted the lives of the Ex. Asst. Commisioner and his establishment, has been tried by the Commissioner of West Berar and was sentenced to transportation for life. It is said that the culprit when the sentence was pronounced did not appear a whit worse for it. He told the presiding Judge that when he undertook to punish his victims, because they were given to abusing people, he was prepared for the worst.—*Native Opinion.*

RUMOUR ABOUT THE DURBAR IN BOMBAY.

IT is rumoured that H. E. the Governor has given up the idea of holding any Darbar in Bombay in January next.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AT BARODA.

WE learn that H. H. Mulharao intends to start a Legislative Council in his territory.

PERSIAN PARSEES FROM BUNDER ABBAS.

ON the 18th inst. Mr. Godrez Mehrban Eranee sent a telegram to Bunder Abbas, to his brother Khushroo, and received the following reply:—"80 Parsees leave per two bugalows. 286 per steamer. 58 dead. Provision provided by me."

EVENINGS WITH THE BAND.

OUR readers will be glad to learn that the band of the 19th Regiment N. I. will play *twice* a week in future, viz. on Tuesdays and Saturdays, instead of as of late on Saturdays only.

SHIPPING ITEMS.

THE S.S. PHLOX, Captain Baker, sailed on Saturday for the Coast and Carwar with a general cargo, and the following passengers:—For Hurnia—Mr. C. E. Mitchell; and sixteen deck passengers.

THE P. & O. Co.'s S.S. INDUS, Captain H. B. Greaves, sailed on Saturday for Aden and Suez with the English mail and Captain Maclear as an additional passenger for Southampton.

THE S.S. EUPHRATES, Captain C. C. D. Hutchison, arrived on Saturday from Kurrachee with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Dr. Mark Styles, Mr. C. Kendal, and thirty-three deck passengers.

THE S.S. PEARL, Captain W. Morrison, sailed on Saturday for the Malabar Coast, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—For Compta—Mr. W. Hasmandel and Mr. J. Grieshaben. For Telichery—Mr. A. G. Lianctum; and six deck passengers.

A TELEGRAM from Bremen states that twenty bales of cotton, marked A B C, with N O under, and A in a diamond, some also marked C, were picked up at sea on the 31st Oct. last, off the Cape of Good Hope, by the R. C. Bulgin Koop, from Zanzibar, and conveyed to Hamburg. This cotton is found on enquiry to have been part of the cargo of the Oriental, Captain Wyatt, which left Bombay on 1st June last, bound to Bremen.

THERE is a report that the daughter of Mr. Gladstone is about to be married to a German gentleman, and it is added to this report that her Majesty the Queen has had some hand in bringing about the proposed marriage, which is understood to be in every way a most desirable one.—*Statesman.*

DISCOVERY OF IRONSTONE AT CAITHNESS.—A new source of wealth for the north of Scotland would appear to be promised by the discovery of an ironstone field of excellent quality in Caithness. Professor Anderson, of Glasgow, has pronounced the percentage of pure metal in the specimens to be good; but the geological conformation of the strata is such as to leave it doubtful whether the extent of deposit is sufficient to justify the sinking of mines and the working of them. In the event of the hopes that have been excited proving well founded, there is a strong likelihood that iron shipbuilding will be added to the industries of Aberdeen and other places on the north coast.

"Berkely, September 1869.—Gentlemen, I feel it a duty I owe to you to express my gratitude for the great benefit I have derived by taking Norton's Camomile Pills. I applied to your agent, Mr. Bell, Berkeley, for the abovenamed Pills, for wind in the stomach, from which I suffered excruciating pain for a length of time, having tried nearly every remedy prescribed, but without deriving any benefit at all. After taking two bottles of your valuable Pills I was quite restored to my usual state of health. Please give this publicity for the benefit of those who may thus be afflicted.—I am, Sir, yours truly, HENRY ALLPASS.—To the Proprietors of NORTON'S CAMOMILE PILLS.

THEATRICAL ENTERTAINMENT AT THE BYCULLA SCOTTISH SCHOOL.

ON Saturday evening the commencement of the Christmas holidays was celebrated at the Scottish High School, Byculla, by a theatrical performance given by a number of the boys attending the school. The large schoolroom was for the evening converted into a comfortable theatre, with stage and dropscene complete, and by 8 o'clock the auditorium was well filled by the fellow-pupils of the actors and friends of the boys and girls attending the school. The youthful performers put upon the stage three pieces, "To Paris and back for £5;" "Jochezidah Snodge, or the True Style of Making Money," and "Borrowed Plumes," and in the intervals between the pieces the amusement was kept up by the singing of some comic songs. The songs were really well sung, and were, as might have been expected, loudly applauded by the boys and girls present. With regard to the acting we must not say much, for critical details of such performances are anything but appropriate: this we must say, however, that the histrionic powers displayed by some of the leading characters in the pieces took the audience very much by surprise. Theatrical performances by schoolboys are frequently of such a character as to draw forth the complacent and patronising remark, "Very good indeed for youngsters;" but it is with no intention to flatter the lads who were on the stage on Saturday night at Byculla that we say their acting was witnessed with considerable pleasure even by the grown-up portion of the audience. One most commendable feature, which really goes a long way in enabling people to enjoy such entertainments, was that each of the boys had got up his part well, so that none of them got into the ludicrous position of having to be bawled to by the prompter. Every one present seemed to enjoy the entertainment, and perhaps some may even have indulged in a secret chuckle when Mr. Fern, the manager, informed the audience at the close that there would be another performance soon for the benefit of the gymnasium which is being got up by the boys, as the receipts that evening had only covered expenses. We must not omit to mention that our young friends had engaged an orchestra.

THE ARMY.

[Taodon Gazette, Dec. 1.]

WAR OFFICE, PALL MALL, 1st Dec.

6th Regt, Staff Surg Robert Lewis to be Surg, vice Surg Maj John James Orchard, M D, who retires upon half-pay, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

19th Hussars, Cornet James McKillop Macwhirter to be Lieut, vice Smithercote, promoted half-pay Capt, dated 28th June, 1871.

Lieut Percy Harry Stanley Barrow to be Adjt, vice Nethercote, dated 28th June, 1871.

Royal Artly, Second Capt Edward McLaughlin to be Capt, vice E F Bolton, permitted to retire from the service on an annuity, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

Lieut Henry Francis Peterkin Lewis to be Second Capt, vice C H Hamilton, deceased, dated 11th Nov, 1871.

Second Capt William Norton Perrin, from temporary half-pay, to be Second Capt, vice McLaughlin, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

Lieut James Mainwaring Douglas to be Second Capt, vice Second Capt and Adjt R N Young, permitted to retire from the service on an annuity, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

Lieut Francis Lawrence Gore Little to be Second Capt, vice G Deedes, permitted to retire from the service on an annuity, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

Lieut C D E Parks-Smith has been permitted to retire from the service on an annuity, dated 2nd Dec, 1871

In consequence of the death of Second Capt C H Hamilton on the 6th Oct, 1871, the promotions of the undermentioned officers are to be considered to follows, viz.:—

Second Capt R H Robertson to the 7th Oct, 1871.
Second Capt G F Dixon to the 17th Oct, 1871.
Second Capt C Crosthwaite to the 21st Oct, 1871.

Acting Vety-Surg Thomas Jonathan Symonds to be Vety-Surg, dated 22nd March 1871, vice Daniel Maclean, who resigns, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

Gren Guards, The Hon Frederick William Stopford, late Page of Honour to H M, to be Ensign and Lieut, dated 31st Oct 1871, and to stand next below Ensign and Lieut J Foster.

6th Foot, Staff Assist-Surg Richard Exham to be Assist-Surg, vice John Joseph Ocean, appointed to the Staff, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

9th Foot, Lieut Manley Charles Matthew Dixon to be Adjt, vice Lieut Batten, promoted, dated 15th Nov 1871.

16th Foot, The restoration to full-pay of Capt A Gardner, from half-pay, late 22nd Foot, in succession to Capt Bernard Heyer Westby, who permitted to retire half-pay, to bear date 19th Sept, 1871, instead of 30th Aug, 1871.

18th Foot, Capt Charles Edmund Phipps to be Supernumerary, on appointment as Capt Instructor in the School of Musketry at Hythe, dated 21st Nov, 1871.

35th Foot, Lieut William Poste to be Supernumerary, on appointment as Lieut Instructor at the School of Musketry at Hythe, dated 2nd Nov 1871.

48th Foot, Staff Assist-Surg Arthur Wellesley Roche to be Assist-Surg, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

49th Foot, Lieut Vincent George Lawrence Eyre to be permitted to receive the value of an Ensigncy on transfer to the Indian Staff Corps, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

50th Foot, The Christian names of Qr-mr Grinsell are Samuel Dicken Nichols, and not Samuel only, as stated in the Gazette of 8th Aug, 1871.

66th Foot, Staff Assist Surg Henry William Joynt to be Asst Surg, vice James Aloysius Joseph O'Brien, MD, appointed to the Staff, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

87th Foot, Staff Asst Surg George Bedford Sanders to be Asst Surg, vice Philip Broke Smith, MD, promoted on the Staff, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

96th Foot, Ens Gilbert Gaisford to be permitted to receive the value of his Commission on transfer to the Indian Staff Corps, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

104th Foot, Lieut Albert Edward Williamson Goldsmid to be Adjt, vice Vincent Charles Edward Parker, who has resigned that appointment, dated 7th Oct, 1871.

1st West India Regt, Lieut William Cole to be Instructor of Musketry, vice Christian Branford Steward, promoted, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

Royal Hibernian Mily School, Qr-mr James Lewis is permitted to retire upon half-pay, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

CONTROL DEPARTMENT.

Pay Sub-Dept, Dspy Paymaster W Peel is placed on temporary half-pay, dated 1st Dec, 1871.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Asst Surg Philip Broke Smith, M D, from 87th Foot, to be Staff-Surg, vice Robert Lewer, appointed to the 9th Lancers, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

Asst Surg James Aloysius Joseph O'Brien, M D, from the 66th Foot, to be Asst Surg, vice Henry William Joynt, appointed to the 66th Foot, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

Asst-Surg John Joseph Orean, from the 6th Foot, to be Staff Asst Surg, vice Richard Exham, appointed to the 6th Foot, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

Staff Asst Surg James Duby has been permitted to resign his Commission, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

BREVET.

Capt and Brevet Col Edward Adams, retired upon full-pay, late half-pay Unattached, and Secy and Adjt of the Royal Military Asylum, to have the honorary rank of Maj-Genl, dated 16th Oct, 1871.

Lt-Col John A W Kennedy, Royal Marine Light Infantry, having completed the qualifying service, with the rank of Lieut-Col to be Col, under the provisions of the Order in Council of 13th Nov, 1865, dated 10th Nov, 1871.

Qr-mr James Lewis, retired upon half-pay, late Royal Hibernian Military School, to have the honorary rank of Capt, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

Surg-Major John James Clifford, M D, retired upon half-pay, late 9th Lancers, to have the honorary rank of Depy Inspector-Gen of Hospitals, dated 2nd Dec, 1871.

Paymaster Richard S Crawley, 64th Foot, to have the honorary rank of Capt, dated 2nd Oct, 1871.

MEMORANDUM.

The undermentioned officers have been permitted to commute their retired allowances:—

Capt and Bt Lieut-Col Edmund Palmer, retired half-pay, Royal Arty, dated 25th Oct, 1871.

Lieut Lloyd Herbert Noyes, retired from the Royal Arty on an annuity, dated 28th Oct, 1871.

Capt William Knight, half-pay, late 90th Foot, dated 7th Nov, 1871.

The following promotions, exchanges, and retirements to take place in conformity with the provisions of the Royal Warrant of 27th Dec, 1870, and to be dated 31st Oct, 1871. The officers promoted or exchanging to have no cla

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Bombay, 20th December 1871.

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25	41 12	32 13	23 7	24 10
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35	48 6	39 8	28 10	29 10

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25	34 2	39 2	45	50 0	55 0
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	26	58 0	64 0
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	22	22 0	25 0
	24	23 8	26 0
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		7 12	8 12
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		5 12	6 8
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		13 8	15 0

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	six	37	0	42 0
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	six	52	8	58 0
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	six	49	0	56 0
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	six	67	0	75 0
BEST FRENCH PRINTED CAMBRIC, with Collar attached. Latest designs. Colour perfectly fast	six	28	0	31 8
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	six	31 0	37 0

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Superfine do	16	8	18 0
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Super Balbriggan	25	0	29 0
Best Black Silk (for Dress) per pair	7	8	8 0

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Fine Mixed Merino	15	8	17 0
Super Ribbed do	16	8	18 0
Fine Fancy Stripes	18	0	20 0
Super do	20	0	22 8
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BOMBAY.

GAEKWAR OF BARODA.—It is stated that H. H. Mulrao will arrive in Bombay in the course of next month.

DACOITY.—A dacoity was committed the other day in the village of Kahanwa, Jumboosur talooka, Broach collectorate.

RAJCOOMAR COLLEGE.—We hear that a relative of the young Raja of Bhownuggur has joined the Rajcoomar College.

HACK BUGGIES.—The Commissioner of Police granted up till yesterday nearly 553 licences to owners of hack buggies.

WE hear that from the 1st of next month, the City Police will be paid out of the Poona City Municipality fund.—*Poona Observer.*

MR. M. C. ENTEE.—It is reported that Mr. M. C. Entee, full power Magistrate of Khandeish, is to be transferred again to Broach.

THE NEW COLLECTOR OF SURAT.—We learn that Mr. Shaw Stewart, the newly-appointed Acting Collector of Surat, is expected there next week.

A MAMLUTDAR PENSIONER.—Mr. Hurusdrya, the Mamlutdar of the Duskrohie Prugna, in the Ahmedabad collectorate, will shortly retire on pension.

A NEW ASSOCIATION AT AHMEDABAD.—On Sunday, an association similar to the Hindoo Pranathnaj Sabha in Bombay was started at Ahmedabad.

THE BROACH POLICE INSPECTOR.—Mr. John Hykoop, acting Inspector of Police, Broach, has been confirmed in his appointment, in room of Cawasha Rustomjee, dismissed.

DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION.—In October last forty-four natives employed in the Customs and Salt Department, in the Northern Division, passed the departmental examination.

INTENSE COLD AT SURAT.—On Friday night last the cold was so intense at Surat that two natives who were sleeping at the bunder were found dead the following morning.

GOVERNMENT CENTRAL BOOK DEPOT.—It is stated that Rao Saheb Narayan Vishnoo Bapat, Deputy Educational Inspector, Satara, has been appointed Curator of the Government Central Book Depôt, in room of Mr. M. N. Shrigaokur.

THEFT BY A DOMESTIC.—At the Girgaum Police Court yesterday, before the Senior Magistrate, Francis Daniel, a domestic servant, was sentenced to receive eight stripes, for stealing sundry articles, the property of Mr. Edward Robinson.

STEALING A CASE OF AMMUNITION.—Gurson Jetha, a Banya, was yesterday charged in the Fort Police Court with stealing a case of ammunition belonging to the Hon. Mr. G. M. Stewart. He admitted the offence, and was sentenced by Mr. Nana Morojee to receive ten stripes.

FALSE WEIGHTS.—A Hindoo shop-keeper named Bhydas was charged before Mr. Connon yesterday with having in his possession false weights, and not giving a satisfactory account of the same, he being a retail dealer. He was adjudged guilty and fined fifteen rupees.

VAGRANCY ACT.—Robert Green, a European, was charged before Mr. Nana Morojee, yesterday, with being a vagrant and wandering about without any visible means of subsistence, and was ordered to be sent to the Government workhouse attached to the House of Correction.

THEFT OF ORNAMENTS.—Yesterday in the Girgaum Police Court, Bheemee, woman, was charged before the Senior Magistrate with stealing gold and silver ornaments, of the aggregate value of Rs 221, belonging to one Bheema Bova, a washerman. She was remanded to jail.

THE INDIAN FINANCE COMMITTEE.—A movement is being set on foot by the Bombay Association to collect funds for the purpose of enabling competent natives to proceed to England with the object of giving evidence before the Finance Committee. We learn that already Rs. [illegible] subscribed.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—An inquest was held yesterday at the Jamsetjee Jijeebhoy Hospital concerning the death of a Hindoo lad, aged about eighteen months, named Muthooradas Shewdass. The jury came to the conclusion that the boy's death was caused from concussion of the brain, the result of an accidental fall from a window.

SAJJANBHAI MARALLY'S GIRLS' CHARITY SCHOOL.—We are informed that Mr. Nurrotumdas Bhaliasher, the present head teacher of the Hon. Munguldas Nuttoobhoy's girls' school, which is situated near Pardhooney-girgaum, has been appointed teacher of the above-named school, in succession to Mr. [illegible] for the girls of the Khoja community.

NEW PLEADERS.—The High Court of Bombay have issued sunnuds to the undermentioned persons, authorising them to practise as pleaders in the districts set forth against their names :—Mr. Shioshunker Govindram to practice at Belgaum ; Mr. Janardhan Sukharam Gadgill at Belgaum, Dharwar, and Canara ; and Mr. Narayen Jugonath Bhide in Khandeish.

MRS. NEWNHAM AND THE NATIVE LADIES OF SURAT.—Mrs. Hope while at Surat used freely to mingle in the society of respectable native ladies in that station, and she very often invited them to her house, received their visits, and talked to them freely on different subjects. We believe that Mrs. Hope's example has been followed by Mrs. Newnham, wife of Mr. Newnham, the District Judge of Surat, and on Wednesday this lady invited for the first time several native ladies of rank and station to visit her bungalow.

ANOTHER STORY FROM BARODA.—A curious story comes from Baroda. We mentioned yesterday that the Gaekwar had caused the property of Venkutrao Putwardhun to be attached on account of his furnishing certain State information to a Bombay Parsee. We now learn from a native paper that on the last eclipse day, the uncle of Venkutrao, after bathing himself, was sitting in prayers at the sea. Somebody came and reported to the Maharaja that the man was cursing His Highness. He was immediately sent for, and on his arrival, he was ordered to be put into irons, and was sent to jail.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT OORUN.—On Monday last, a young man (a Eurasian) named Walter Williamson, accompanied by a few friends, proceeded to Oorun for a day's shooting. On arriving at the island they went to a large tank, which was swarming with wild ducks. Williamson brought down a bird, and in his anxiety to secure his prize he got into the water, thinking the tank sufficiently shallow to wade across to his bird. After stepping out a few paces he suddenly disappeared. His body was recovered early yesterday morning, and after enquiries by the authorities he was brought to Bombay for interment.

MORTUARY RETURNS.—The total number of deaths registered during the week ending Tuesday, 26th December, was 311, being 14 less than in the preceding week, 14 more than the total of the week ending 27th December 1870, and 15 less than the mean of the corresponding period in the previous five years. During the week 13 births were reported in the different districts of the city.

Section or Sub-Section.	Population by Census of 1864.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Cholera.	Nervous System.	Respiratory System.	Digestive System.	Accidents & Violence.	Total, including diseases not specified here.	Total Reported Deaths in the week ending 26th inst.
Colaba	19,161	...	5	...	...	...	3	1	10	...
Fort, Northern	2,455	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fort, Southern	39,338	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	3	...
Esplanade	7,989	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Market	75,402	...	3	...	1	...	1	...	19	...
Mandvee	41,182	15	...	1	1	3	...	...	23	...
Chuckla	41,442	1	6	...	2	1	2	...	12	...
Umbrawadee	43,030	11	...	1	1	8	1	27	...	...
Dongree	60,238	...	9	...	1	3	...	...	15	...
Dhobeetalao	71,795	...	10	...	3	3	...	...	20	1
Bhuleshwar	52,322	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
Bhooleshwar	50,282	...	2	...	2	...	3	...	14	...
Khandalao	23,451	...	11	...	2	...	2	...	22	...
Kumbarwara	20,688	...	9	1	2	...	...	...	14	...
Khetwaree	29,177	...	5	...	1	1	...	...	9	...
Girgaum	21,995	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	7	...
Mangaldas	6,138	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	3	...
Walkeshwar	10,094	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	3	...
Mahalaxmee	9,144	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Mazagon	21,784	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	6	...
Parwaree	9,462	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	...
Kumbarwara	81,670	2	21	...	3	4	...	...	47	3
Parel	7,092	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	6	1
Sewree	5,042	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	4	...
Sion	12,078	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3	...
Mahim	19,450	...	1	...	1	1	1	...	5	2
Worlee	10,211	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	3	...
Harbour	32,382	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Non-Resident and Unknown	...	...	5	...	1	4	8	1	27	...
Bombay	816,562	3	143	1	29	25	34	2	311	13
Mean of the corresponding weeks in the preceding 5 years		4	135	14	29	38	43	5	326	...

The following statement shows the number of deaths in the different races or castes :—

Race or Caste.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Cholera.	Nerv. system.	Res. system.	Dgs. system.	Accidents and Violence.	Total (including diseases not specified here).	Total Reported Deaths in the week.
Boodhist—Jain, &c	...	6	...	...	2	...	...	16	...
Brahmin	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	6	...
Lingaet	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Hindoo of Bombay	...	75	...	...	1	...	...	91	...
Hindoo of other Caste	2	78	1	1	9	...	...	151	11
Hindoo out-caste	...	7	...	...	1	...	...	17	...
Mussulman	1	27	...	...	1	...	...	75	1
Parsee	...	5	...	...	2	2	...	14	...
Jew	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Native-Christian	...	9	...	1	1	1	...	19	...
Indo-European	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1
Negro-African	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
Chinese	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Unknown Races	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	3	143	1	29	25	34	2	311	13
Corresponding week 1870	1	102	19	27	43	40	6	297	50

SHIPPING ITEMS.

THE wreck of the s.s. Rangoon lines in fifteen fathoms water off the port of Galle, the Light House bearing N. E. ¼ E. (true) distance 1½ miles. All vessels making the port to enter it, or to anchor in the roads, should avoid this bearing within a distance of two miles.

THE work for the construction of the Arrakan pile Light-House on the Oyster Reef, 13 miles west of the Savage Light-House at the entrance of the Arrakan River, commenced on the 18th instant. This work will be carried on at night at times, and consequently lights used. Commanders of vessels are warned to be careful they do not mistake these lights for the lanterns of vessels at anchor off the port of Akyab. The light-house will be constructed east of the reef under its shelter. The Savage Light can be seen from the masthead two miles west of the reef on a clear night. The Savage Light is a revolving one, attaining its greatest brilliancy once a minute.

STATE OF THE TIDE AT BOMBAY.

HIGH WATER.		DECEMBER.	LOW WATER.	
Time.	Height.		Time.	Height.
H. M.	FT. IN.		H. M.	FT. IN.
0 55 m	5 9	Friday ... 29	6 58 m	2 7
0 30 a	3 0		6 43 a	6 1
1 27 m	5 7	Saturday. ... 30	7 30 m	2 7
1 3 a	2 10		7 14 a	5 7
1 59 m	5 3	Sunday 31	8 9 m	2 6
1 45 a	2 7		7 52 a	5 0

A QUESTION OF LIMITATION.

IMPORTANT DECISION.

AT a sitting of the High Court, Appellate Side, the other day, the Hon. Mr. Justice Melvill and the Hon. Mr. Justice Kemball disposed of the case of Jotteram Beehur, appellant vs. Bai Gunga, daughter of Kusunbhut Shivbhut and others, respondents.

Mr. Justice Melvill, in giving decision, said—We think we should decide the question raised in this case according to the same principle on which we have to-day decided a similar point of law raised in Regular Appeal 59 of 1860.

The question whether the plaintiff is entitled in computing the period of limitation to deduct the time occupied in prosecuting his former suits, depends in the first place upon the question whether these suits were brought upon the same cause of action as the present suit. We are of opinion that they were not.

The two former suits were brought, one against one branch of the family, and the other against another branch, to recover a share of that portion of the property which was in the possession of each branch. The claims were rejected on the ground that they were improperly brought, and that the plaintiff's proper course was to sue all the sharers for a general partition. The so-called cause of action in the former suits was the plaintiff's supposed right to be put in possession previously to a general partition, of a definite share of each and every portion of the family property in the possession of any of the co-sharers. This was in reality no cause of action at all; for to quote the words of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, "according to the true notion of an undivided family in Hindoo law, no individual member of that family, whilst it remains undivided, can predicate of the joint and undivided property, that he, that particular member, has a certain definite share." The plaintiff now sues on what was and is his only real cause of action, viz., the right of one member of a Hindoo family to enforce a general partition of the whole property by a suit brought against all the sharers. On this ground we affirm the decree of the Joint Judge with costs on appellant.

Appreiser, vs. Rama Sabba Aiyan 11 Morre's S. A. 9.

INSOLVENTS.

THE petitions of the several persons hereunder named and described have been presented to the Court for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors, Bombay, praying respectively for the benefit of the Act made and passed in the eleventh year of Victoria, Chapter XXI. :—

Sorabjee Nowrojee, unemployed.
Noor Mahomed, Meer Ahmed, and Sumoodur Meer Ahmed, talukas.
Sorabjee Framjee, a hack buggy driver.
Meeya Jumal Tajoo, a butcher.
Dyal Oomersey, a merchant.
Mulleeli Peeranjee, a butcher.
Daryba Peeranjee, a butcher.
Phillip Griffs, an English writer.
George Blackwell, unemployed.
Raghoonath Ramchundjee, who lately carried on business in Bombay and Cowasjee Jamsetjee Moolla, Rustomjee Manockjee Vachhar, and Manockjee Nowrojee Pastakia, under the name and firm of Raghoonath Ramchundjee, Raghoonath & Co., and one of the Canvas Bhandary.
Visram Wittoo, a painter.
Mankoo Jeevraj Goorjee, widow, and Radhabaee, widow, cultivators and vegetable sellers.
Murry Despajee, a dealer in betel-nut, tobacco, grain, &c.
Veerjee Dhurumsey, a Gujarati metta.
Cursetjee Ahmed Jan Boorce, a dealer in horses.
Ora Ebrahimjee Ally Mahomed, a bill collector.
Hurjeevun Dutram and Motilal Hurjeevun, who lately traded in Bombay and Visnuggur under the name of Girdhurlal Motilal.
Pascoal and Procida, and Beatriz, widow of the late Francisco Fernandes, cultivators.
Pascoal Fernandes and Manoel Fernandes, cultivators.
Balla Yesoojee, a mason
Burjorjee Pestonjee, a liquor seller.
Dinajee Casinathji and Narayen Ballajee, the first named insolvent is a writer, unemployed, and the second a tailor.

THE SUPPLY OF OFFICIAL GAZETTES TO THE EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

MEMORANDUM from the Educational Department of the Secretariat, No. 783, dated the 3rd October 1871,—Transferring, for disposal, a letter from the Director of Public Instruction, who requests that the *Government Gazette* (Parts I.—V.) may, for reasons stated, be ordered to be supplied to the Educational officers whose names have been omitted in the recent revision of the distribution list of the *Gazette*.

RESOLUTION.—The Director, Public Instruction, to be informed that, looking to the numerous demands for the *Gazette*, Government regret to be unable to comply with his request.

2. The Divisional Inspectors must keep their subordinates informed of all orders relating to the Financial Department, so far as they affect their individual interests; and if the parts relating to Legislative proceedings and other matters of general interest are required for the College Common rooms and Masters' rooms of the High Schools, they can be obtained on payment.

(Signed) H. E. JACOMB,
For Chief Secretary to Government.

INDIAN ITEMS.

MR. J. R. SHERCORE, formerly a solicitor of Calcutta, has been appointed Deputy Registrar of the High Court, N. W. P.

As it should be nine times out of ten, the last *Government Gazette, N. W. P.*, was only four pages long. The *Bombay Government Gazette*, one of the most preposterous publications in existence, appeared on the same date weighing about a seer.—*Pioneer.*

THE public of Oudh have been informed by Dr. King, through the advertising columns of the *Oudh Government Gazette*, that "a large and commodious building has been opened as a Museum at Fyzabad." Donations in any form—animal, vegetable, or mineral—will be "thankfully accepted and suitably disposed of."

SIZING BY THE THUMB.—A cooly on board the City of Mecca, while engaged last Thursday in hooking a sling containing five bales of piece goods, managed somehow to get his right thumb between the hook and the rope, and before those at the sling were made aware of it the same was lifted, by the thumb, five feet off the deck, his cries attracted attention and he was let down. Seemingly suffering great pain he was removed to the Chaudney Hospital, where it was ascertained that his thumb had been crushed and amputation necessitated.—*Daily Examiner*, Dec. 26.

THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF NATIVE ART.—Our people should learn a lesson from the fate of the Indian articles exposed for sale at the late International Exhibition. Those articles which were formed after European models, however good they were, were unhesitatingly rejected, while those which were suggestive of Indian art, were, if not very badly made and very highly priced, unanimously preferred. England does not want from India European workmanship at second-hand, but really Indian goods modelled and formed according to the rules of indigenous art. The fine ivory carvings of Moorshedabad, for instance, though highly admired, were not sold, because they were made out of purely European designs. The silver *sarais* of Lucknow, the Rampore *chulders* and *chogas*, the painted feather and wood work of Sindh, sold immensely.—*Indian Mirror.*

DOWLUT SINGH.—Our readers may remember seeing an account of the arrest of Dowlut Singh, in Bindschul, near Mirzapore, a short time back. It would appear he was charged with fomenting rebellion in Hyderabad, and certain persons who were acquainted with *that* De'wlut Singh, which it seems was well-known as a leader of disaffected persons in Southern India, were sent up to Jaipur, where the subject of this notice was in jail, for the purpose of identifying him. This they utterly failed to do, and under the circumstances His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor (who had previously passed an order for his release on bail) has been graciously pleased to order his unconditional release.—*Pioneer.*

A EUROPEAN KILLED BY BEING THROWN OUT OF A WINDOW.—Thos. Gra at, constable, attached to the Police Reserve force, met with a serious accident early last Saturday morning which resulted in a compound fracture of the right thigh bone. He occupied quarters in one of the upper rooms of the police barracks and retired to sleep at midnight. At about 5 o'clock the following morning some of the officers were awoke by a cry, and on getting up to see where it came from were attracted to a window which overlooks a blind lane in Radha Bazaar. On looking down they noticed a European calling for assistance, and on going round were surprised to find that he was one of their brother-officers. They picked him up, and finding that he was injured they removed him to the College Hospital where the extent of his injuries was ascertained. The height from the window to the spot where he fell is, by measurement, twenty feet. His version of the affair is that he had woke up and gone to the window to answer a call of nature when he was suddenly seized from the back and hurled over. He says he knows the party who did it, but declines to give up his name not wishing to get him into a scrape. No reason can be assigned for so diabolical and cowardly an act, as it is not known that he was at variance with any of his brother officers. Intoxication has been imputed to him by some on the ground, as stated, that he "smelt strongly of liquor," but against this is the fact that he was playing billiards at the police table till 11 o'clock and seemed then to be perfectly sober, but he had had, before retiring to sleep, a pint of beer, and that could not have rendered him incapable of taking care of himself. The affair thus remains a mystery. So soon as it was practicable, an operation was performed on him, while under the influence of chloroform, and a large piece of the broken bone (which had protruded from his flesh) was extracted.

Another strange circumstance connected with this affair is that although the constable had been lying on the spot for upwards of half an hour bawling out at the top of his voice for assistance, not a chowkeydar was to be seen about the place. What if there had been a murder or burglary committed? Since writing the above we have been informed that Mr. Constable Grant died at five minutes to one yesterday morning.—*Daily Examiner.*

THE NEW MARRIAGE BILL FOR NATIVES.

THE following report of the select committee on the bill to legalize marriages between certain natives of India not professing the Christian religion, together with the bill as settled by them, was presented to the Council of the Governor General of India for the purpose of making laws and regulations on the 21st December 1871 :—

We, the undersigned, the members of the select committee of the Council of the Governor General of India for the purpose of making laws and regulations to which the bill to legalize marriages between certain natives of India not professing the Christian religion relates, have the honour to report that we have considered the bill and the further papers.

2. The unanimous opinion of local Governments being unfavourable to the original bill, it was at first proposed to confine its operation to the Brahma Samaj, and to require persons availing themselves of its provisions to sign a declaration of membership in that sect.

3. We found, however, that this proposal was objected to by the section of the Samaja which calls itself the Adi Brahma Samaja, who regard themselves as being still in the Hindu, and deprecate all legislation on the subject of Brahmist marriages, as implying a doubt, which they do not feel, as to their present competence to contract valid marriages, and object to a bill the title of which would imply that the other section of the Brahmists have an exclusive right to that title.

4. On the other hand, we found that the Progressive Brahmists had no objection to declare that they were neither Hindus, Mahammadans, nor Parsis, and would be satisfied with a bill providing a valid form of marriage for persons who were prepared to make a declaration to that effect.

5. We have therefore confined the bill to persons who, not being either Christians or Jews, do not profess or have renounced, or have been excluded from the Hindu, Mahammadan, Parsi, Buddhist, Sikh or Jaina religion. We provide that the parties to any marriage under the Act must at the time be unmarried; that the man must be eighteen years of age, the woman fourteen, and that if he is under eighteen, the parent or guardian must consent; and they must not be connected in any degree of consanguinity or affinity which, by the law to which either of them is subject, would render a marriage between them illegal.

6. We have provided that persons marrying under the Act shall not be permitted to marry other persons during the lifetime of the wife or husband, whatever form of religion they may, at the time of such second marriage, profess; (2) that the Indian Divorce Act shall apply to marriages under the Act; (3) that the issue of marriages under the Act shall be subject to the Hindu law of consanguinity and affinity; and (4) that the Indian Succession Act shall apply to all persons marrying under the Act and the issue of such marriages.

7. In section 15, we provide that nothing in the Act shall be deemed to affect the validity of any marriage not solemnized under the Act, or of any mode of marriage other than the one provided by the Act.

8. We have provided, in section 16, that all marriages contracted before the passing of the Act between persons, who might have married under the Act had it been existence, may be registered within a year, and shall thereupon be as valid from the date of the marriage as though contracted under the Act.

EXTORTIONS BY ZEMINDARS FROM RYOTS.

(*Indian Daily News*, Dec. 28.)

THIS prevalence among the zemindars of Bengal of the practice of extorting illegal contributions from their ryots has long been a matter of public notoriety and to those who are familiar with the extent to which these exactions have proceeded in various portions of the country, the strange remissness exhibited by the Government in its omission to grapple with the evil, has often furnished ground for surprise. Referring some months ago to the manifest iniquity of imposing any additional burdens on the country, so long as the helpless masses were exposed to the rapacity of their landlords, we recommended the appointment of a commission to enquire into the extent to which illegal exactions of the kind referred to above obtained throughout the country. This recommendation was so unfortunate as not to incur the approval of Mr. Campbell. Nevertheless, we are glad to observe that Mr. Campbell has at last been moved to take some steps in the matter by the "mute eloquence of the condition" of Orissa, regarding which some valuable, if plain, observations have recently been made by some of the officers attached to that province. Those observations will be found in the supplement to the last number of the *Calcutta Gazette*, from which we reproduce only Mr. Campbell's reply to the local officers. The covering letter from the Board of Revenue which does its best to confuse the plain references of the local authorities to an evil, which that Board ought to have suppressed many years ago, need not detain our readers a moment. From the report of Mr. J. Beames, the Collector of Balasore, whose researches have been ably aided by his assistant, Mr. W. Fiddian, it appears that, within a very small compass of country, no less than nine zemindars of large estates systematically levy illegal cesses from their ryots. As the enquiries conducted by Mr. Beames and Mr. Fiddian proceeded on complaints that were made by the ryots, it is probable enough that these nine zemindars were singled out for an unenviable distinction, because their exactions had become intolerable. The Ooryah ryot will bear even more than his brother of Bengal, before he can be persuaded to cry out; and it is by no means improbable that the offence brought home to these nine persons is only a very bad form of a malady that is prevalent throughout the province. The exactions of which these nine people have been guilty are divided into two classes, "regular exactions taken every year," and "casual exactions on special occasions." Among the former we find eleven different private imposts, the *Dak khurcha*, *Tar khurcha*, *Jakool khurcha*, *Tiklus*, *Sunja salami*, *Tahrir khurcha*, *Baburti rusoom*, *Bussul punchoni*, *Salami*, *Khurra punjee*, and *Dupear khurcha*. All being grossly illegal, we shall select only four for special remark. The first, the *Dak khurcha*, enables the zemindar to recoup himself in the amounts paid to Government for postal arrangements under Act VIII. of 1862 B. C., which was intended to fall exclusively on the zemindar as the landlord, and not on the tenant. The second, the *Tar Khurcha*, is simply defined as a rate to pay for telegraph expenses." On this, Mr. Beames very happily observes.—"It need hardly be said that in fixing a line of telegraph posts, the department does not call upon the zemindar to pay anything, nor does the Collector. Still the sight of the posts appears to have inspired some one with the idea that they may be made useful as a means of getting money out of ryots." The *Jakool khurcha* is deserving of study. It seems that the Government invited subscriptions to a school which it erected at Bhadruck. The zemindars put down their names on the list, and thereby gained credit as promoters of education, and benefactors of the labouring poor. But it further appears, not only that they raised all the money from their unfortunate ryots, but also that they did not pay one pice of the money so raised to Government, although repeatedly requested to do so. The *Tiklus* is our old friend, the Income tax in disguise—proving clearly, as Sir Richard Temple has frequently remarked, that that impost is a tax exclusively on the wealthy, and does not touch the poorer classes.

The "casual exactions" are too numerous to be specified here in detail; but we observe among them "7. *Jumnabasee*, additions made to the ryots' jumma whenever the zemindar is in want of money," and "10, *Magna*, a sum exacted over and above the rent at irregular times to meet any sudden demand on the zemindar." These two taxes seem to bear a strong family resemblance to each other; and at any rate both of them taken together must be admitted to cover any conceivable calamity that might possibly overtake the zemindar. Nevertheless, in addition to these, we find "9, Poorsutun money collected to defray expenses when zemindars goes on pilgrimage to Pooree," and "17, Hathbara money proposed; when the zemindar comes back from Pooree he brings some of the sacred food called mohaprosad, each ryot has to take a handful of this and pay for it." We observe also that, under the name of hatti and ghora taxes the ryots have to pay for the elephants and horses maintained by the zemindars. To the total of 26 (9 regular and 17 casual) taxes will have to be added the cess for education and roads as soon as it is introduced into Orissa.

Mr. Campbell is not far wrong when he states that "there is reason to fear that the evil represented in the present correspondence is not confined to Orissa;" but we doubt whether a circulation of the correspondence "with the view of eliciting a clear expression of opinion from officers in other parts of the country," was the only step which he was bound to take without delay in the matter. We trust that in any further enquiries that may be made, either in Orissa or in the remainder of Bengal, every possible precaution will be adopted with the object of preventing the zemindars from intimidating ryots who are disposed to furnish testimony regarding the prevalence of illegal exactions. We think it far from improbable that the publication of the correspondence in the *Gazette* will have put the most notorious offenders on their guard; and we surprised to learn—if any ryots, who have given evidence on the subject, are forthcoming—that all documentary proofs of the oppressive practice which Mr. Campbell has undertaken in a clumsy way to stamp out have been carefully collected and destroyed. We still think that nothing short of a judicial commission, with plenary powers to take evidence, and inflict punishment on the spot, will go to the root of the evil, and effectually eradicate the evil from the country. Is it too late to appoint such a commission even now?

CALCUTTA RACES.

FIRST DAY, SATURDAY, DEC. 23RD.

(*Englishman*, Dec. 25.)

FIRST RACE.—Trial Stakes of Rs. 500 from the fund. For all horses. 1 mile. Weight for age and class. Maidens allowed 10lbs. Entrance, 200 rupees, 50 forfeit.

	st. lbs.		st. lbs.
Mr. Raphael ran ..	Bridesmaid	9 9	Donaldson..... 1
Mr. Frost's	Kilmore	9 9	Keates 2
Mr. Le's	Karpos	9 3	Dignum 3

Betting: 5 to 4 against Bridesmaid, 2 to 1 against Karpos, and 6 to 1 against Kilmore. The latter jumped off with the lead, Bridesmaid in close attendance, and Karpos bringing up the rear. In this order they continued for about the first half mile, when Bridesmaid went up to Kilmore and soon after deprived him of the lead. Rounding the turn, Karpos became second, but the two K's toiled on hopelessly in pursuit of Bridesmaid, who won very easily by two lengths in 1 minute 50 seconds.

SECOND RACE.—The Derby Stakes, of 1,200 rupees from the fund. For Maiden Arabs. 2 miles. Weight for age. Horses that have never started before the day of naming allowed 3lbs. Entrance on or before 1st July, Rs. 80; ditto after that, and on or before 1st September, Rs. 160; ditto ditto 1st November, Rs. 300, when the race will close. Penalties and allowances. And a sweepstakes of Rs. 160 for all horses declared to start; if 50 entrance, the second horse to receive 800 rupees, and the third horse 200 rupees.

		t. lbs.		
Ali Abdoollah's	Uhlan	8 9	Challoner	1
Mr. Davison's	Grey Warrior ..	9 3	Irvine	2
Mr. Le's	Aboo Janoob	9 3	Dignum	3
Mr. Frost's	Syrian	8 9	Keates	4
Mr. Raphael's	Sulliman	8 3	Donaldson	0
Mr. Black's	Rapier	9 3	Brewy	0
Mr. Hunter's	Frolic	9 3	Bowen	0
Mr. Darke's	Elias	9 0	Jaffir	0
Mr. Seventaks'....	Acrobat	8 9	Finch	0
Mr. Dover's	Cardinal	8 9	Crosby	0

Betting: even on Aboo Janoob, 6 to 4 against Grey Warrior, 2 to 1 Uhlan, 5 to 1 Frolic, and Syrian 10 to 20 to 1 any other. After two breaks away the lot were despatched to a capital start, Elias, Frolic and Rapier slightly in advance nearest the rails, Syrian, Aboo Janoob, Acrobat, and Sulliman next, with Grey Warrior, Uhlan, and the others all close up. In about this order they passed the stand, and kept close order till about three-quarters of a mile had been got over, when Aboo Janoob improved his position, and Syrian took the lead, which he maintained till nearly coming round into the straight run home. Before this, however, the hopes of the backers of Aboo had dropped back beaten, whilst the supporters of Grey Warrior and Uhlan saw their favourites assume the leading places. The latter, however, was unable to stand the pace, and Warrior's coming away from below the distance, won easily by upwards of two lengths, Grey Warrior second, Aboo Janoob three lengths behind the Grey, and Syrian ridden out, fourth, with several of the others well at. Time—3m. 55½ sec.

THIRD RACE.—The Seventanks' Plate, presented by Baboo Shama Churn Mullick. Value, Rs. 500. For all Maiden English, Colonial, and Country-bred horses. 1½ mile. And a sweepstakes of Rs. 150 for all horses declared to start.

	st. lbs.			
Ali Abdoollah's	Satellite	9	1	Challoner 1
Mr. Hartley's	Sensation	8	8	Irvine 2
Mr. Seventaks's	Moonlight	8	10	Finch 0

Betting: at first 5 to 4, afterwards 2 to 1 on Satellite, 4 to 1 Sensation, and 10 to 1 Moonlight. As Satellite appeared none the worse for his accident as he cantered down the course, and Sensation was undoubtedly lame, the Bangalore crack became a very hot favourite, and some of the knowing ones were trying to get on at good prices for the Government-bred, but the Colonials, though we heard no actual business done. Moonlight got best off in a good start, and soon improved her position to a lead of a clear length, when Satellite began to come up, and at the half-mile post had got his head in front, which, in coming round the turn into the straight run home, he kept a length, whilst Moonshine dropped back beaten. Coming up the straight, Sensation made a vain attempt to catch Satellite, who won, without ever having been asked to gallop, in 2 minutes 18 seconds, by three lengths.

FOURTH RACE.—Purse of Rs. 400 for all Arab and Country-breds. Entrance, Rs. 150. 50 forfeit. 1 mile. Weight for age and class.

		st. lbs.		
Mr. Sevestanks'.....	Gipsy	8	8	Keates 1
Ali Abdoollah's	The Earl	9	3	Uhlan 2
Mr. Le's	Verbose	6	9	Jaffir 3
Rajah Khan's..	Silvertail	9	2	Brewly 4
Mr. Raphael's	Volunteer	9	13	Bowen 0

The principal betting on this race was backing the Arabs against the Country-breds at 5 to 4, but the result showed how little chance even the very best Arabs —and few faster Arabs than The Earl could be found —have against good country-breds at the present scale of weights. Betting was 2 to 1 against The Earl, 3 to 1 Silvertail, 5 to 1 Volona, 8 to 1 Verbese, and 15 to 1 Gipsy. The three Country-breds got off in front, Verbese leading for the first quarter of a mile, whilst the Arabs kept getting further behind at every stride. Before the half-mile was passed, Gipsy had assumed the lead, which she never afterwards lost, and won in a common canter by three lengths. The Earl, running through his horses at the finish, being second, and Verbese third. Time—1m. 52sec.

SECOND DAY, TUESDAY, 26TH DECEMBER.

(*Pioneer.*)

FIRST RACE.—The Bedouin Stakes of Rs. 400 from the Fund. For all Arabs. Weight for age. 1 mile. Winner of the Derby of the year to carry 5 lbs. extra. Maidens allowed 10 lbs. Entrance Rs. 150; 80 forfeit. To close on 1st November, and name or declare forfeit by 2 P.M. the day before the race.

Ali Abdollah's	The Earl	1
H. H. Aga Khan's	Silvertail	2
Mr. Raphael's	Sultan	3

Time—1 min. 55 sec.

SECOND RACE.—The Colonial Stakes, of Rs. 1,200 from the Fund. For all Maiden, Cape, Australian, Tasmanian, and Country-bred horses. R. C. Weight for age and class. Horses that have never started before the day of naming allowed 3 lbs. Entrance on or before 1st July, Rs. 80; ditto after that, and on or before 1st September, Rs. 160; ditto ditto 1st November, 800; when the race will close. And sweepstakes of Rs. 160 for all horses declared to start; if 50 entrances, second horse to receive 800, and the third horse Rs. 200.

		st. lbs.		
Ali Abdulsh's chas c	Satellite	9	0	
Mr. Hartley's	Sensation	8	7	
Mr. B. W.'s br C	Merryman	8	7	

Time—3 min. 20 sec.

THIRD RACE.—Drawing-Room Stakes.—For all horses. Rs. 400 from the Fund. ¾ mile. Entrance Rs. 150; 50 forfeit. To close on 1st November, and name or declare forfeit by 2 P.M. the day before the race.

		st. lbs.		
Mr. Le's	Echo	8	7	
Mr. Seventank's	Centurion .....

will now, gentlemen, claim your kind indulgence for a few moments more while I say something about the licensing question. Cheers. My remarks will be brief, for I am afraid I have already kept you too long. No no; go on. Mr. Bruce's bill failed upon the ten years' clause; I think justly so, for I regard it as an iniquitous bill. Cheers. Vested rights in property must be respected if they have grown up. Hear, hear. That is compatible with due regulation and even some restriction. However, I can hardly be expected to commit myself to details. Hear. I would just say that no bill will be perfect that does not embrace shorter hours, the prevention of adulteration—hear—and better police regulations—cheers—such regulations, I contend, as must not interfere with the honest trader. Bravo. The honest publicans of Plymouth must not have the policemen walking into their houses why and where they like. Cheers. Mind you, I say the respectable publicans. If we have any who are the reverse, the police must look after them. Hear. On this point great difference of opinion exists; but I think that the bill might be so framed that the honest publican would not be subject to police visitations without such immediate cause as a row or a robbery in his house. Cheers. I would add that the houses should be open on Sunday for one hour and a half—say from twelve to half-past one—for I contend that the poor man has as much right to his glass of beer on the Sunday with his wife and children as the rich man has to his glass of wine. Cheers. That is all that occurs to me now to say, but if any of you have any questions to ask me I shall be happy, to the best of my ability, to answer them. Hear. You will find that the answers you might get will be honest and straightforward. [Cheers, and a Voice: The ballot. Another Voice: Will you write your speeches when you are Parliament P—laughter]. I will tell you what I think about the ballot. It has been very much modified as a party question, and now there are many Conservatives who think it a good measure, as many Liberals who consider it a bad one. To my mind it is clear that the Ballot Bill was framed by Mr. Grote alone in the last session. Hear. The wounds and bruises of the Liberal party. It was introduced not so much for the sake of improvement in our political machinery as with the hope of uniting his divided followers—cheers,—and creating a diversion from the blunders of his Administration. Hear. Indeed, the Prime Minister said in the House of Commons that 'such was the intention of the measure. The bill was pushed on, but proved a failure. Next year it will again be brought in, and though I am opposed to it as being, in my opinion, insulting to Englishmen, who always like the light of day—hear—yet I believe it will give great strength to the Conservative party, and numerous accessions to their ranks. Cheers. It is my intention as far as possible to call upon every elector, whether he is opposed to me or not; and I can only repeat that here or elsewhere I shall be happy to answer any inquiries that may be made of me. Cheers. If you should think me worthy of being your representative in the House of Commons I can only say I will do all I can for your interests. Cheers.

An Elector inquired the honourable candidate's opinion with regard to the Prison Ministers Bill, and the inspection of nunneries?

Mr. Bates replied that he hardly understood the Prison Ministers Bill. He believed there were paid chaplains in the various gaols; but he had not considered the matter; and could not then give an opinion. [Laughter.]

Another question was put with regard to the abolition of the income-tax and the reduction of the assessment on small incomes.

Mr. Bates would very much like to get rid of the income tax, but was afraid it could not be done. He was certainly in favour of a graduated scale.

Mr. H. Williams asked if Mr. Bates would apply the thirty million acres of waste lands to the reduction of pauperism.

Mr. Bates was quite aware there was an immense quantity of land uncultivated, but that was just because it would cost more to cultivate it than it was worth. (Cheers).

Mr. Bates then proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman. He thought his conduct had been very impartial.

Mr. W. F. Moore, with the permission of the chairman, would propose a motion touching their representative who was to be. Cheers. It devolved upon him to ask them, now that they had heard an explanation of the sentiments of Mr. Bates, to express their confidence in him as a proper person for their representative by their cheers. Loud cheers, and a Voice: It is not seconded. There was no need of a seconder. Disorder. But as a matter of form he thought it was desirable that it should be seconded. (Confusion.)

When the noise had somewhat subsided, Mr. Bates expressed his thanks to the meeting for hearing him, and said that as he could not hear very well there, if any of them wanted to ask him any questions he should be glad if they would call upon him at his committee rooms.

Dr. Slade King, in seconding the vote of thanks, asked his fellow-electors whether they were justified from this time to dispassionately compare the facts they had heard that night with those that had been uttered with so much froth elsewhere. Hear, hear, cheers, and hisses; and a Voice: No personalities. One sense of fact was better than a pound of fiction. They had heard something from Mr. Bates. Hear, hear, they could take hold of it and handle it. [A Voice: And kiss it. Roars of laughter] But he hoped they would go home and deliberately consider all they had heard, and he was quite sure that those who had wavered would certainly be confirmed in the issue by that night's meeting—cheers—and that at the close of the poll the name of Edward Bates would stand at the head. Cheers; No no, and Yes, yes.

Mr. Chase hoped when the election took place it would be conducted in a becoming manner. (Hear, hear.) They did not want to fight the battle with any improper weapons. They should get ready to fight and deal with things as they found them. They were near a contest, within a few days' march of the enemy. They should therefore put their shoulder to the wheel, and work for a cause which was dear to their hearts. They should feel that this was the time for action, and not lose the present favourable opportunity for returning a Conservative candidate for the borough. (Cheers.) He would say that the two gentlemen before the constituency were men of great integrity and character. [Hear, hear.] They only differed in matters political, and in these they were very widely apart indeed. They had heard the profession of creed by Mr. Rooker, and now they had heard that of Mr. Bates. Now it was for them to weigh which was in accordance with their own feelings. There was no doubt whatever that if they were true to their own interests, if they wanted to take care of their interests, they should support the Conservative candidate. (Cheers.) He was quite sure of this, there had been bad enough of law, now let them have commerce. Laughter and cheers. They wanted a man who would support the institutions of the country, of the town and take care of the interests of the borough; and they had now before them one who by his worthy character and business habits was well able to do that. He asked them to rally round the Conservative ranks, and return Mr. Bates at the head of the poll. (Cheers, and a Voice: When are the ships coming P—laughter).

Mr. Bowes acknowledged the vote of thanks to him, hoping they would use their best endeavours to put Mr. Bates at the head of the poll by a very large majority. This was an opportunity for Plymouth which was not likely to occur again for some time, to return a commercial gentleman.

The meeting then broke up with loud cheering for Mr. Bates; and a large crowd accompanied him to the Royal Hotel, cheering as they went.—*Western Weekly News.*

M. TAINE'S "NOTES ON ENGLAND."

(TRANSLATED FOR THE "DAILY NEWS" FROM THE PARIS "TEMPS.")

XX.—SUNDAY IN LONDON. THE STREETS AND PARKS.

On Sunday in London when it rains; the shops shut, the streets almost deserted; the aspect is that of an immense and a well-ordered cemetery. The few passers-by under their umbrellas in the desert of squares and streets have the look of uneasy spirits who have risen from their graves; it is appalling.

I had no conception of such a spectacle, which is said to be frequent in London. The rain is small, compact, pitiless; looking at it one can see no reason why it should not continue to the end of all things; one's feet churn water, there is water everywhere, filthy water impregnated with an odour of soot. A yellow, dense fog fills the air, sweeps down to the ground; at thirty paces a house, a steam-boat appear as spots upon blotting-paper. After one hour's walk in the Strand especially, and in the rest of the City, one has the spleen, one meditates suicide. The lofty lines of fronts are of sombre brick, of which the exudations are encrusted with fog and soot. Monotony and silence; yet the inscriptions on metal or marble speak and tell of the absent master, as in a large manufactory of bone-black closed on account of a death.

A frightful thing is the huge Palace in the Strand, which is called Somerset-house. Massive and heavy piece of architecture, of which the hollows are inked, the porticoes blackened with soot, where, in the cavity of the empty court, is a sham fountain without water, pools of water on the pavement, long rows of closed windows—what can they possibly do in these catacombs? It seems as if the livid and sooty fog had even befouled the verdure of the parks. But what most offends the eyes are the collonades, pediments, Grecian ornaments, mouldings, and wreaths of the houses, all bathed in soot; poor antique architecture—what is it doing in such a climate? The flutings and columns at the front of the British Museum are begrimed as if liquid mud had been poured over them. St. Paul's, a kind of Pantheon, has two ranges of columns, the lower range is entirely black, the upper range, recently scraped, is still white, but the white is offensive, coal smoke has already plastered it with its leprosy.

These spots are melancholy, being the decay of the stone. And these nude statues in memory of Greece! Wellington, as a fighting hero, naked under the dripping trees of the park! That hideous Nelson, stuck on his column with a coil of rope in the form of a pig-tail, like a rat impaled on the top of a pole! Every town, every classical idea is contrary to nature here. A swamp like this is a place of exile for the arts of antiquity. When the Romans disembarked here they must have thought themselves in Homer's hell, in the land of the Cimmerians. The vast space which, in the south, stretches between the earth and the sky, cannot be discovered by the eye; there is no air; there is nothing but liquid fog; in this pale smoke objects are but fading phantoms. Nature has the look of a bad drawing in charcoal which some one has rubbed with his sleeve. I have just spent half-an-hour on Waterloo-bridge; the Houses of Parliament, blurred and indistinct, appear in the distance but a wretched pile of scaffolding; nothing is discernible, and more particularly, nothing is living, except a few steamboats skimming along the river, black, smoky, unwearied insects; a Greek watching their passengers s barking and disembarking would have thought of the Styx. He would have found that to exist here was not to live; in fact, life here is different from what it is in his country; the ideal has altered with the climate. The mind quits the without to retire within itself, and there create a world. Here one must have a comfortable and well-ordered home, clubs, societies, plenty of business, many religious and moral pre-occupations; above all, instead of abandoning oneself to the influence of exterior impressions, it is necessary to extrude all the sad promptings of unfriendly Nature, and fill up the great void wherein melancholy and tedium would take up their abode. During the week one has work, constant, earnest work, wherewith to ward off and arm oneself against the inclemency of things. But what is to be done on the day of rest? There is the church or the pot-house, intoxication or a sermon, insensibility or reflection, but no other way of spending a Sunday such as this; in that way, whether in thinking, wherein in making a beast of oneself, one is absorbed, one attains forgetfulness. I observe many doors ajar in the spirit vaults, sad faces, worn or wild, pass out, and in. Let us visit the churches.

I visited four, and I heard two sermons, the first in a church in the Strand. A naked, cold, and unornamented structure, with the exception of two allegorical figures at the end; large wooden pews in which one is cancooned up to the neck. The congregation which fills it is composed not of the commonnonality, but of the respectable middle class, very well dressed, and with serious and sensible physiognomies. They come to provision themselves with moral counsels, to refresh their principles. The preacher chose for his text, "One mind, one spirit," and thereupon he advised his hearers to hold fast to their principles, yet to be conciliatory towards their fellows. The sermon was good—slightly commonplace, yet solid. When reading the numerous essays in English literature, and at the present [illegible] in the *Saturday Review*, one perceives [illegible] do not worry them; apparently they [illegible] as an object of curiosity, but as a [illegible]ent in daily use which must be [illegible]ges of the pews are the

Psalms and the Book of Common Prayer—the mass book of England. It is marked by much elevation, and a certain Hebraic sublimity in the style of Milton; yet by no tenderness and outpourings as in the "Imitation," no flowers of rhetoric or sentimental namby-pambyness as in our minor devotional works; but by an imposing, impassioned, and sometimes a lyrical tone. The Liturgy was compiled at the period of the Reformation, and retains its accent. A noteworthy point is that here the date and origin of each piece are noted, this one being of the sixteenth century; this passage being taken from the Apocrypha, but retained on account of its elevation. The believer is instructed by these remarks, is informed about criticism and history; see the sermons of Tillotson and of Barrow at the era of Bossuet, with their Greek texts and discussions about the grammatical interpretation. Time being given, this necessarily leads to German exegesis.

The superb nave, the admirable Gothic architecture of Westminster Abbey are alone adapted to the climate. This labyrinth of forms, these sweeping and huge mouldings, this profusion of delicate sculptures are required to fill the dim air and people the void of such sombre interiors. I wandered about looking at the mortuary monuments, the numerous graceful sculptures of the eighteenth century, the tombs of our own age so cold and pedantic, when suddenly the music pealed forth, not the monotonous psalmody of our Vespers, the rude and mawkish chants, the verses and responses which seem to be the voices of ailing nuns, but beautiful pieces in parts, grave and noble recitative, melodious outbursts of harmony, the productions of the best epoch. Then after the reading of a passage about Moses, the organ and the choristers, children's voices and base voices, sounded forth a full and rich anthem. Such music as that is the worthy accompaniment to the psalms and to the prayers which I have just perused. Thus understood, worship is the opera of elevated, serious, and believing souls. Nothing is more important; it is essential that the church and the services should be on a level with the sentiments of a people, not merely of the crowd and of the uneducated, but of the select few.

I visited two other churches in the afternoon. There, too, the music was beautiful, and the edifice was filled with the well-to-do middle class. The large enclosed pews, all the galleries were filled with well-dressed persons; there are as many men as women, and many gentlemen; the public is not one public of women, old curmudgeons, servant girls, common people. Of the three clergymen I have seen, one worthy and polite, who spoke to me, had the air of a semi-professor and semi-magistrate. Another resembled a Parisian notary, mature and well-preserved, who assumes soft tones and a sentimental look, in order to procure the signing of a marriage contract. I saw others last year in London and the country. With their short gown, the tone they use in the pulpit, one would take them for judges or chief justices; by their education, their marriage, their manners, their calling, they are laymen slightly graver than the others; their garb out of church is that of laymen, with the exception of the everlasting white tie; the moral difference is not much greater than the material difference. This is the essential point; to place the laymen on a par with the priest, or at most separated by one degree only, is in truth the work of the Reformation.

On returning to my hotel I read the following proclamation in Friday's *Gazette*:—"Victoria R.: We, most seriously and religiously considering that it is our indispensable duty to be careful above all other things to preserve and advance the honour and set [illegible] of Almighty God, and to discourage and suppress all vice, profaneness, debauchery, and immorality. . . . We do hereby strictly enjoin and prohibit all our loving subjects, of what degree or quality soever, from playing on the Lord's-day, at dice, cards, or any other games whatsoever, either in public or private houses, or other place or places whatsoever; and we do hereby require and command them, and every of them decently and reverently to attend the worship of God on every Lord's day," and the magistrates are enjoined "to take effectual care to prevent all persons keeping taverns, or other public houses whatsoever, from selling wine, beer, or other liquors, or receiving or permitting guests to be or remain in such their houses in the time of Divine Service on the Lord's day."

This order is not strictly observed; the tavern doors are closed during service, but they can be opened and drinking goes on in the back-room. In any case this is a relic of the old Puritanism altogether distasteful in France. Prohibit people to drink and amuse themselves on Sunday? But to a French workman, and to a peasant, Sunday appears to have been made for nothing else. Scandinavia and Germany, countries, religion, spoils one day out of seven, destroys the seventh part of possible happiness. He judges the Englishman, the man of the North, after the model of the man of the South whom wine exhilarates and does not brutalize, who can without inconvenience give way to his instinct, and whose pleasure is poetical. Here the temperament is different, more violent and more combative; pleasure is a brutish and bestial thing: I could cite twenty examples of this. An Englishman said to me, "When a Frenchman is drunk he chatters; when a German is drunk he sleeps; when an Englishman is drunk he fights."

Other traces of Puritanical severity, among the rest, are the recommendations on the stairs which lead down to the Thames; one is requested to be decent. At the railway-station there are large Bibles fastened to chains for the use of the passengers while waiting for the train. A tall, sallow, and bony fellow handed to me two printed papers on the brazen serpents of Moses, with applications to the present life: "You, too, oh reader, have been bitten by the fiery serpents. To heal yourself lift up your eyes to Him who has been elevated as the sign of salvation." Other tokens denote an antagonistic country. At the gate of St. James's-park is the following notice: "The park-keepers have orders to prevent all beggars from entering the gardens, and all persons in ragged or dirty clothes or who are not outwardly decent; and well-behaved." At every step one feels oneself further removed from France.

The population numbers three millions and a quarter; that makes twelve cities like Marseilles, six cities like Lyons, two cities like Paris put together; but words upon paper are no substitutes for the sensation of the eyes. It is necessary to take a cab several days in succession, and proceed straight on towards the south, the north, the east, and the west, during a whole morning, as far as the uncertain limits where houses grow scanty and the country begins.

Enormous, enormous—this is the word which always returns. Moreover, all is rich and well ordered; consequently, they must think us neglected and poor. Our mediocre compared with these squares, these crescents, these circles and rows of monumental dwellings of massive stone, with porticoes, with sculptured fronts, these spacious streets; there are sixty of them as vast as the Rue de la Paix; assuredly Napoleon III. demolished and rebuilt Paris only because he had lived in London. In the Strand, in Piccadilly, in Regent-street, in the neighbourhood of London-bridge, in twenty places, there is a bustling crowd, a surging traffic, an amount of obstruction which confounds and most frequently bewilders our Continentals. Everything is on a large scale here; the clubs are palaces; the hotels are monuments; the river is an arm of the sea; the cabs go twice as fast; the boatmen and the omnibus conductors condense a sentence into a word; words and gestures are economised, actions and aims are turned to the utmost possible account; the human being produces and expends twice as much as among us.

From London-bridge to Hampton-court are eight miles, that is, nearly three leagues of buildings. After the streets and quarters erected together, as one piece, by wholesale, like a hive after a model, come the countless pleasure retreats, cottages surrounded with verdure and trees, in all styles, Gothic, Grecian, Byzantine, Italian, even of the Middle Age, or the Revival, with every mixture and every shade of style, generally in lines or clusters of five, ten, twenty of the same sort, apparently the handiwork of the same builder, like so many specimens of the same vase or the same bronze. They deal in houses as we deal in Parisian articles. What a multitude of well-to-do, comfortable, and rich existences! One divines accumulated gains, a wealthy and spending middle-class quite different from ours, so pinched, so straitened. The most humble, in brown brick, are pretty by dint of tidiness; the window panes sparkle like mirrors; there is nearly always a green and flowery patch; the front is covered with ivy, honeysuckle, and nasturtiums.

The entire circumference of Hyde-park is covered with houses of this sort, but finer, and these in the midst of London retain a country look; each stands detached in its square of turf and shrubs, has two stories in the most perfect order and condition, a portico, a bell for the tradespeople, a bell for the visitors, a basement for the kitchen and the servants, with a flight of steps for the service; very few mouldings and ornaments; no outside sun shutters; large clear windows, which let in plenty of light; flowers on the sills and at the portico; stables in mews apart, in order that their odours and sight may be kept at a distance; all the external surface covered with white, shining, and varnished stucco; not a speck of mud or dust; the trees, the turf, the flowers, the servants prepared as if for an exhibition of prize products. You well one can picture the inhabitant after entering his shell! In the first place, it is the Teuton who loves Nature, and who needs a reminder of the country; next, it is the Englishman who wishes to be by himself in his staircase as in his room, who could not endure the promiscuous existence of our huge Parisian cages, and who, even in London, plans his house as a small castle, independent and enclosed. Besides, he is simple, and does not wish external display; on the other hand, he is exacting in the matter of condition and comfort, and separates his life from that of his inferiors. The number of such houses at the West-end is astonishing! The rent is nearly 500*l.*; from five to seven servants are kept; the master expends from twelve to twenty-four hundred pounds a year. There are four of these fortunes and these lives in England to every one in France.

The impression is the same when visiting the parks; the taste, the area are quite different from what is the case among us. St. James's-park is a genuine piece of country, and of English country; huge old trees, real meadows, a large pond peopled with ducks and waterfowl; cows and sheep, in an enclosed space, feed on the grass, which is always fresh. These are even sheep in the narrow green border that surrounds Westminster Abbey; these people love the country in their hearts. It is sufficient to read their literature from Chaucer to Shakespeare, from Thomson to Wordsworth and Shelley, to find proofs of this. What a contrast to the Tuileries, the Champs Elysées, the Luxembourg! As a rule, the French garden, that of Louis XIV., is a room or gallery in the open air, wherein to walk and converse in company; in the English garden, such as they have invented and propagated, one is better alone; the eyes and the mind converse with natural things. We have arranged a park on this model in the Bois de Boulogne; but we have committed the blunder of placing therein a group of rocks and waterfalls; the artifice is discovered at a glance, and offends; English eyes would have felt it.

Regent's-park is larger than the Jardin des Plantes and the Luxembourg put together. I have often remarked that our life seems to them cooped up, confined; they need air and space more than we do; Englishwomen whom I knew in Paris left their windows open all night; thus arises their longing for motion, their horse and foot races in the country. Sic ad justly said that a young English girl walks a greater distance in a week than a young Roman girl in a year; the Northern man, of athletic temperament, has a need of free respiration and of exercise. This park is in a retired neighbourhood; one hears no longer the rolling of carriages, and one forgets London; it is a solitude. The sun shines, but the air is always charged with damp clouds, floating watering-pots which dissolve in rain every quarter of an hour. The vast watery meadows have a charming softness, and the green branches drip with monotonous sound upon the still water of the ponds. I enter a hothouse where there are splendid orchids, some having the rich velvet of the iris, others a flesh colour of that inexpressible, delicious, mingled tint transfused with light like palpitating living flesh, a woman's breast; the hand desires yet dreads to press it; alongside, palm trees raise their stems in a torpid atmosphere. A strange thing to us is that there are no keepers; admission is free, and no damage is done; I can understand that they must ridicule our establishments and public festivals, with their accompaniments of municipal guards. It is the same at the railway stations; every one is free to move about, to stand on the sides of the line, to come and meet his friends at the carriage door; they are surprised and annoyed to see us cooped in our waiting-rooms, enclosed, led like sheep, and always under the eye or the hand of an official.

I returned on foot to Piccadilly; again the London weather begins—the small and constant rain, the dissolving mud. F., who has spent the winter here, says that there is little snow, not more than in the centre of France. But, on the other hand, there is perpetual fog, rain nearly every day, and the most execrable muddy streets for pedestrians. As evidences, look at the foot-coverings and the feet of the ladies. Their boots are as large as those of grenadiers, their feet are those of watermen, and their gait is in keeping. My question continually recurs, How do the English spend their leisure hours, among others, their Sunday? They have the Club and often wine. F., in his Club, had a neighbour who, in the reading-room, drank a large glass of wine, then went to sleep, drank a second half an hour afterwards and went to sleep again, and so on in succession without ever saying a word. Another of great wealth, a leading merchant, and who has sixteen gardeners at his country-seat, is occupied all day with his business, returns home in the evening, speaks but seldom, lives like an automaton among his children; his herself by travelling about the entire yo[illegible] ese; in the family circle he merely [illegible]—this is a common trait of the English[illegible]ncy in expension and in amiability.

From Regent's-park to Piccadilly the spacious and interminable streets have a general aspect: the roadway is of black macadam; the rows of buildings, of the same cast, consist of blackened brick, where the window-panes shine with dark reflections; each house is separated from the next by railings and a garden. There are few shops, not a single pretty one, no large plate-glass windows and engravings; that would be too dismal for us; nothing to attract and gladden the eyes; lounging is impossible; it is necessary to do one's work at home, or to take one's umbrella and go to business or to one's society.

Hyde-park is the largest of them all, with its small river, its wide green-sward, its sheep, its shady walks, resembling a pleasure park suddenly transported to the centre of a capital. About two o'clock the principal alley is a riding-ground; there are ten times more gentlemen and twenty times more ladies on horseback than in the Bois de Boulogne on its most frequented days; little girls and boys of eight ride on ponies by the side of their father; I have seen ample and worthy matrons trotting along. This is one of their luxuries. Add to it that of having servants. For instance, a family of three persons which I visited keeps seven servants and three horses. The mother and daughter gallop in the park daily; they often pay visits on horseback; they economise in other things—in theatre-going, for example; they go but seldom to the theatre, and when they do it is to a box which has been presented to them. This vigorous exercise appears indispensable for health; young girls and ladies come here even when it rains. To keep three horses and a carriage costs nearly £2200 a year. Looking at this crowd of riders, I wondered how one comes to the easy conclusion as after seeing the houses and the staff of servants. The wealthy class is much more numerous in England than in France. Another index is the outlay in linen, clothes, and dresses always in use. The climate dirties everything rapidly; they must be continually renovated. In every newspaper I find the addresses of dealers who come to the house and buy slightly soiled clothes; the solidness of a gentleman is to be always irreproachably well dressed; his coat when worn is handed over to a man of the lower class, and in rags on the back of a beggar, and thus marks the social rank of its possessor. Nowhere else is the disparity of conditions so clearly written in the externals of men. Imagine the evening dress of a man of fashion or the rose-coloured bonnet of a lady; you will find the former again on a miserable wretch squatting on one of the stairs of the Thames, and the latter at Shadwell on the head of an old woman groping amidst rubbish.

From five to seven o'clock is the review of ladies' dresses. Beauty and ornamentation abound, but taste is wanting. The colours are outrageously crude and the forms ungraceful; crinolines too liberally used and badly distended, in geometrical cones or bunched, green flounces, embroideries, flowered dresses, quantities of floating gauze, packets of falling or frizzed hair; crowning this display tiny embroidered and inappreciable bonnets. The bonnets are too much adorned, the hair, too shiny, presses closely on the temples; the small mantle or cassaque falls formless to the lower part of the back, the petticoat expands prodigiously, and the whole is badly joined, badly arranged, variegated and laboured, cries and protests with all its parts and overdone colours. In the sunshine, especially, at Hampton Court the day before yesterday, amongst the shop-keepers' wives, absurdity was at his height; there were many violet dresses, one being of a white violet clasped round the waist with a golden band, which would have made a painter cry out. I said to a lady, "The toilette is more showy among you than in France." "But my dresses come from Paris!" I carefully refrained from replying, "But you selected them."

Excepting only the highest class, they apparel themselves as fancy dictates. One imagines healthy bodies, well built, beautiful at times; but they must be imagined. The physiognomy is often pure, but also often sheepish. Many are simple babies, new waxen dolls with glass eyes, which appear entirely empty of ideas. Other faces have become ruddy, and resemble beef-steak. There is a fund of folly or of brutality in this inert flesh—too white, or too red. Some are ugly or grotesque in the extreme; with heron's feet, stork's necks, always having the large front of white teeth, the projecting jaws of carnivora. As compensation, others are beautiful and radiant. They have angelic faces; their eyes, of pale periwinkle, are softly deep; their complexion is that of a flower, or an infant; their smile is divine. One of these days, about ten o'clock in the morning, near the Serpentine, I was rooted to the spot motionless with admiration at the sight of two young ladies; the one was 16, the other 18 years old. They were in rustling dresses of white tulle amid a cloud of muslin; tall, slender, agile, their shape as perfect as their face; of incomparable freshness, recalling those marvellous flowers seen in select exhibitions, the whiteness of the lily or orchis; in addition to all that, gaiety, innocence, a superabundance of unalloyed sap and infantine expression, of laughter, and the mien of pride; the search did not support them. Many of the horsewomen are charming, so simple, and so serious, without a trace of coquetry; they come here not to be seen, but to take the air; their manner is frank without pretension; their shake of the hand quite loyal, almost masculine; no fripperies in their attire; a small black vest, tightened at the waist, moulds a fine shape and healthy form; to my mind, the first duty of a young lady is to be in good health. They manage their horses with complete ease and assurance. Sometimes the father or brother stops and talks business or politics with a friend; the ladies listen and thus habituate themselves to serious topics. These fathers and brothers, too, are a pleasant sight; everywhere in Englishmen one comes to the same conclusion as after seeing the houses and the staff of servants. The wealthy class is much more numerous in England than in France. Another index is the outlay in linen, clothes, and dresses always in use. The climate dirties everything rapidly; they must be continually renovated. In every newspaper I find the addresses of dealers who come to the house and buy slightly soiled clothes; the solidness of a gentleman is to be always irreproachably well dressed; his coat when worn is handed over to a man of the lower class, and in rags on the back of a beggar, and thus marks the social rank of its possessor. Nowhere else is the disparity of conditions so clearly written in the externals of men. Imagine the evening dress of a man of fashion or the rose-coloured bonnet of a lady; you will find the former again on a miserable wretch squatting on one of the stairs of the Thames, and the latter at Shadwell on the head of an old woman groping amidst rubbish.

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Major Crosbie's	g a h Nonpareil	9 10	Hackney	2

Time—3 min. 51 secs.

SECOND RACE.—"The Colts' Plate.—A Purse of Rs. —, subscribed by the Merchants of Hyderabad and Secunderabad; added to a sweepstakes of Rs. 100 for each horse declared to start. For all colts and fillies having a milk tooth in their head on 1st May 1871. Weight for age and class. Horses bred in H. H. Nizam's Dominions allowed 7 lbs. ½ mile.

	st. lbs.		
Major Trevelin's	b w c Royal Archer	9 0	Hackney	1
Mr. Hume's	b w g Dick Turpin	8 10	Hastings	2
Major Crosbie's	b w g Lord Lyon	9 0	Hackney	3

Time—2 min. 50 secs.

THIRD RACE.—"The Hyderabad Derby"—A piece of Plate, value Rs. 1,000, presented by the Nawab Shamshar-ul-Mulk Sir Salar Jung Bahadur, G. C. S. I., with Rs. 1,000 added by the Nayab in specie (*in lieu of his last year's Cup, which was not run for*); and a sweepstakes of Rs. 150 for each horse declared to start. For all maiden horses. Weight for age and class. Horses bred in H. H. Nizam's Dominions allowed 1 st. ½ mile.

	st. lbs.		
Major Trevelin's	b w c Royal Archer	9 0	Hackney	1
Mr. Hume's	b w g Dick Turpin	8 10	Hastings	2
Major Crosbie's	b w g Lord Lyon	9 0	Hackney	3

Time—2 min. 50 secs.

FOURTH RACE.—"The Hyderabad Derby"—A piece of Plate, value Rs. 800, presented by Rajah Narindhar Bahadur, Peshkar of His Highness's Government added to a sweepstakes of Rs. 50 for each horse declared to start. For all Maiden Arabs. Dist. R. C. Weight for age. Raised one stone above C. T. C. Rules. G. R. Winners of the season once 2 lbs., twice 4 lbs. extra.

	st. lbs.		
Mr. Merry's	ch c b a h Banting	10 0	Mr. Warner..	1
Mr. Syed Ramzan's	b a colt Suliman	9 8	Captain Syed Ali Rezaa...	2
H. H. Aga Khan's	b a h Dil Pussund	10 0	Capt. Ahmed Abdoo'ah.	3
Major Crosbie's	c a gal The Cob	10 5	Meer Akber Ally	4

Time—2 min. 58 secs.

FIFTH RACE.—"Merchants Purse."—For all ponies. Distance, ¼ mile. Entrance, Rs. 25. Weight for inches, 13-2 to carry 9st. 7 lbs. 4 lbs. allowed for every half inch below 13-2.

	st. lbs.		
Capt. Stewart's	b a pony Suliman	8 13	Hastings	1
Major Crosbie's	ch c b pony F. W. B.	9 3	Rowjee	2
Mr. Hume's	g a pony Sobeil	8 10	Owner	3
Mr. Hackney's	b a pony Frog	9 0	Hackney	4

Time—1 min. 1 sec.

First race at 6-30 A.M.; second race at 6-50; third race at 7-10; fourth race at 7-30; fifth race at 7-50.

The horses ready at the post will be started precisely at the hour specified for each race.

THE HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

A SPECIAL meeting of the committee of management, House of Correction, was held at the prison on Saturday morning, when the military prisoner, Thuval James Baxter, was placed before the committee, and charged with insubordination and using insulting and abusive language towards Mr. Mayhew, officer of the prison. He was ordered to receive twenty-five lashes with a cat-o'-nine tails on the bare back. The punishment was inflicted the same morning in the presence of the committee.

OUTLAW BANDS IN KATTYWAR.

THE following notification has been issued by the Political Agent of Kattywar to several Chiefs of Kattywar:—

The States concerned are informed that it is incumbent on them at once to give information of outlaws committed by them within their respective limits to the Superintendents of the Federal Seebundy, in addition to the usual reports made to the Agency and district officers. Failure of prompt intelligence in this respect leads to inability to trace outlaw bands, and gives them a sense of security which adds to their strength and the terror they inspire amongst the cultivating classes. The Political Agent will hold States responsible, should immediate notice fail to be given of the movements of outlaw bands, and desires they will take energetic measures in concert with the Federal Seebundy officers in tracing and bringing to justice those now known to be moving about.

PRAYERS FOR THE PRINCE OF WALES.

IN consequence of a proclamation issued by the Thakore Sahib of Palitana regarding the illness of the Prince of Wales, we learn that on Monday last, throughout every village and town in the talooka and in Palitana itself, public prayers were offered by persons of every denomination, according to the precepts of their religion; and in Palitana and other chief towns, at the expense of the Thakore Saheb, sacrificial services offered in the shape of sweetmeats and fruits, which were distributed to children of tender age. During the hours set apart for prayers, there was an entire cessation of business, and we have heard of no instance of disobedience to the mandate of the Thakore Saheb.

We learn that in accordance with instructions received by telegram from His Highness the Nawab Nazim of Bengal, Behar, and Orissa, a large proportion of the Mahomedan population of Moorshedabad assembled on Sunday at the Imambarrah in order to offer up special prayers for the speedy recovery of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales from the dangerous illness under which His Royal Highness has been labouring. A fast of three days for the same good object has also been proclaimed throughout the city by the high-priest, and will, it is understood, be rigidly observed.—*Indian Daily News.*

THE Parsee community of Calcutta are not behind their brethren in loyalty to the Crown, for we learn that they assembled at their fire-temple on Sunday last, headed by Mr. Manockjee Rustomjee, when special prayers were offered for the speedy restoration to health of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales.—*Ibid.*

SYKES' PHOTOGRAPHIC ALBUM OF BOMBAY VIEWS.

MESSRS. D. H. Sykes & Co have been for some time engaged in preparing a series of views of Bombay, to be issued as an album, in monthly parts. The first number has now been published, and contains views of the principal entrance to the great cave at Elephanta; Breach Candy Vellard, Mahalukshmy, and Dhankleshwar Temples, and a Native Durbar at Palitana. The photographs are beautifully finished, and are accompanied with a page of descriptive letter-press; and though it is difficult to see what connection a durbar scene at Palitana has with Bombay views, subscribers to the album will not be inclined to quarrel with the presence of that photograph, for it is a picture of a most interesting scene. We hope Messrs. Sykes & Co. will secure a large subscription list for this interesting album.

A CURIOUS CHEATING CASE.

At the Girgaum Police Court on Friday, one Keshow Raghoo, a stonemason, appeared before Mr. Cooper, and laid an information against Itcha, woman, and two others, whom he charged with cheating under the following circumstances:—

Keshow Raghoo said—I am a stonemason, and live in New Nagpada. I know one Babajee. On the 24th October last he came to my house and said that he had been requested by one Itcha, woman, one Sitadeen Emolasse, and one Withul Mayachund, to find a surety for one Mowjee Jairam, who had been apprehended on a criminal charge; and he asked me to become a surety for the said Mowjee Jairam. He requested me to introduce the said Itcha, Sitadeen, and Withul to me. Babajee went away and returned in about an hour with the said parties, who each and all represented to me that Itcha was the lawful wife of Mowjee Jairam; that Mowjee was a trader in goods in Bombay, and carried on business in partnership with the said Withul Mayachund; and that as Mr. Souter, the Commissioner of Police, had refused to accept the sum of Rs. 2,500 which they had offered to deposit with him, they would deposit that amount with me after I had executed and signed the recognizance bond for the appearance of the said Mowjee Jairam before the Bhoibla Magistrate's Court. I then consented to become a surety for the appearance of Mowjee, and went to the house of one Raghoba Annajee in Cumbarwada with the aforesaid Itcha, Sitadeen, and Withul, who repeated the above statements to Raghoba Annajee. The next day I and Raghoba Annajee went to the office of the Police Commissioner, and there I signed a recognizance bond in the sum of Rs. 2,000, for the appearance of Mowjee Jairam at Bhoibla. The said Sitadeen and Withul Mayachund were then present. I subsequently, on several occasions, personally requested Itcha, Sitadeen and Withul to deposit with me the sum of Rs. 2,500 which they had promised to do after I had signed the recognizance bond. They put me off from time to time, and up to this day the money has not been deposited with me. I am informed and verily believe that after the execution of the recognizance bond by me and Raghoba Annajee, the said Mowjee Jairam was released from custody; and that he then absconded and did not appear before the Magistrate at Bhoolia. I was in consequence cited before the Magistrate at Bhoolia, and forfeited the amount of my recognizance, to wit, Rs. 2,500. I have since received information that the said Itcha is not the wife of Mowjee Jairam as alleged by her to me; that Mowjee did not carry on business in Bombay in partnership with Withul Mayachund, and that the said Itcha, woman, Sittadeen, and Withul have absconded from Bombay. I therefore charge Itcha, woman, Sittadeen, and Withul with cheating by deceiving me, and dishonestly inducing me to do a thing which I could not have done, if I were not so deceived, and which act has caused me damage in property, and I pray that they may be apprehended and dealt with according to law.

The Magistrate granted a warrant as prayed for.

MEETING OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL.

ON Thursday afternoon the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel held a meeting in the Durbar Room, Town Hall. The Bishop of Bombay presided. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. C. F. H. Johnstone, and thereafter Mr. Punnett, the Secretary, read the annual report, which is as follows:—

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1871.

The Bombay Diocesan Committee, in laying before the subscribers an account of what has been done by the Society in this diocese during the year, will divide the work into two parts, as in the last report, and allude—

1st. To missions to the heathen and the care of the native Christian congregations, and

2nd. To the work amongst Europeans and others carried on by means of the Additional Clergy Fund.

The reports of the missionaries and clergymen at the different stations will be published hereafter as usual, and the Committee would draw the attention of subscribers to the many interesting particulars which they give.

BOMBAY.

The Rev. C. Gilder has continued in charge of the Indo-British Mission at Sonapore, and on being relieved of the duties of Honorary Treasurer to the Society in January last, was able to take a more active part in work among the heathen. Mr. Gilder has baptized two African servants prepared by Damodhur Raghoonath, the Marathi Cathechist, and a young Hindu woman, who had been prepared by Savitrabai, with the occasional help of Damodhur. The Committee are glad to hear that the prospects of the Indo-British Institution have improved, but regret to find a very serious decrease in the offerings of the congregation of Trinity Church. Mr. Gilder reports that he has several candidates for baptism under preparation.

The Rev. G. Ledgard reports a considerable decrease in the number of his congregation of late, several members having left for other parts of the country. He has baptised two adults and five children during the year. Mr. Ledgard has not continued bazaar preaching so regularly as before, feeling that but little result can be looked for from such work. He prefers the plan of getting a few people together, and holding a quiet conversation with them, and endeavouring to induce them to visit him afterwards. Several enquirers have for some time paid him frequent visits. The school for Mussulmans was discontinued in March last, and the two Christian schools united into one under Yeshwant and a Tamil master. Kamateepoora Church was opened for the vernacular services on Sunday, the 22nd October, 1871, though at that time not quite completed. Regular services have since been held in it, and the church is now completed, with the exception of the bell-tower, seats, fonts, and some other little matters. It is to be consecrated on the 1st January, if completed by that time.

The Reverend J. Diago reports that the attendance of his congregation at the Sunday services has been satisfactory, and that the members seem to have better appreciated the means of grace. His work has principally consisted of pastoral visits, a few of which are to Christian families, outdoor preaching, which he has steadily carried on during the year, and the superintendence, with Mr. Ledgard, of the Christian schools. On Malabar Hill he has commenced a weekly service for the benefit of those Christians who are in the service of residents, and who are at times unable to attend the services on Sunday. These have been fairly attended, but the want of a boat to bring men from the different ships and take them back after service is much felt.

Mr. Horsfall also urges the necessity of having a special hulk set apart for the purpose of Divine Service. Mr. Horsfall has also kindly undertaken the service at Parell on Sunday evening, and the Committee are glad to find that these have been better attended than in past times. The Reverend Thomas Corfield, B.A., reports that services have been held regularly at Egutpoora, Bhowsawul, Munmar, and that during the visit of the Bishop of Bombay, in March last, four boys and three girls were confirmed at the former places. The schoolmistress in charge of the school there does her best, but the school must be moved to a more suitable situation, and it is hoped that the G. I. P. Railway will increase their grant to enable a good master to be employed.

At Bhowsawul the congregations are very small indeed, considering the large number of Europeans employed at that place; and unfortunately no schoolmaster has yet been appointed to the station by the railway.

The Bishop of Bombay consecrated a cemetery at Munmar in March last. His Lordship stayed again at Egutpoora in October and November, and Mr. Corfield hopes that great good will result from his visit. The Reverend W. H. Harpur has been able to occupy the new parsonage at Mazagon since the 15th October, and special thanks are due to those gentlemen who kindly superintended the erection of the building. The heavy item of rent will now be saved, and it is hoped that the balance of the cost of the building will shortly be subscribed by the residents of Mazagon and the neighbourhood.

Amended plans have been drawn for the extension of St. Peter's Church, but it will not be possible to begin this work till further funds are raised. The subscriptions, donations, and collections received by the Committee during the year are as follows:

To S. P. G. General Fund	Rs.	2,479	6 3
To Additional Clergy Fund		987	1 3
Towards Kamateepoora Church		301	2 0
Towards Marathi Mission Fund		998	0 10
	Rs.	4,775	10 4

N.B.—There will be other sums to add to this before the year's accounts are closed.

The Committee feel that the encouraging part of the year's work is the increased aid the Society is obtaining from native agency, and trust that during the coming year this will be greatly extended, and the Propagation of the Gospel carried on more vigorously in the Missions already open. They commend their work to the prayers, sympathy, and support of all Christians.

THE RIGHT REV. THE BISHOP, in moving the adoption of the report, said—The report which has just been read gives you the main features of our work during the past year. It has not much to record in the way of progress and extension. We have been hoping that we should be able to announce the arrival of a clerical Secretary, who should not only have relieved Mr. Punnett from those onerous duties which he discharges with so much zeal and diligence, though at the cost of time which he can hardly spare, but who would be able to devote his whole energies to a work which would furnish him with full occupation. We have been hoping, also, that our Mission at Poona would by this time have been strengthened and developed by the arrival of two European clergymen, who would have as an important element in their work the training of such native converts as seem fitted to act as catechists or as clergy; yet this, too, is still among the things which must be waited for. But though we have not advanced, I believe that I may say that we have maintained our ground, and that in some of our existing Missions there is either actual growth or the deepening of foundations on which the city of God may yet be built in heathen places. In Bombay the church at Kamateepoora is built and is awaiting consecration, and our missionaries have carried on their work, with no great encouragement, with much patience and perseverance. A great city is a field of peculiar difficulty, and those who labour in it need our warm sympathy. I am far from thinking that Bombay should not be occupied as a missionary station, but I am disposed to look with greater hope to work carried on in less crowded localities, where the character, the habits, the life, and the social life of Christianity can find more favourable circumstances for its developement. At Kohlapoor, where we have to deplore the loss of Mr. Daji Pandurang, whose work at that station deserves all commendation, Mr. Taylor and Mr. Williams are continuing their labours and their success is undoubted. The reports of both appear to me extremely interesting, and no one can read them without feeling that, whatever the results of their exertions may be, they are not hiding their talent in a napkin, and are doing all that men can to influence an ever widening circle. Their reception, too, by the people, has been startling more than once by discussions on questions of the Hindoo religion and on the evidences of Christianity, and their quiet expositions of Scripture, as well as their more public preaching have excited very general attention. They have sown with care the seeds of knowledge, and it rests with God alone to give them fruit. So far then, as concerns our regular Missions, this is no time for repetition during the past year. But if in this way there is no advance of such a kind as can be chronicled, our work, as a whole, has in it one great element of hopefulness; if our missions of a regular kind has received during the past year no addition, work of a more simple nature has been going on with increase. At Mr. Stead's chapel in the city of Poona, who found there a native congregation, which had been collected, I believe, first by the Archdeacon, and Mr. Bagnell, of Ahmednuggur, have taken immediate oversight of Missions which are conducted by native agents, and the missionary congregation under Mr. Stead's care, and worshipping in St. Paul's Church, now amounts to 125 persons, of whom a large proportion are regular communicants. I invite your attention to this novel feature in our Missions—first, because, in your name I would offer to Mr. Stead and Mr. Bagnell our warm thanks for the important works which they are thus fostering, and then because I venture to express a hope that their example may be followed by such of their brethren as can spare the time which must be given to the oversight of native congregations, when they thus rise beneath the shadow and protection of the European church. In this way not only might our Missions be multiplied at a cost which is comparatively trifling, but our English congregations would take part in efforts which are suggested to them in the most natural and legitimate manner, and would thus bring down upon themselves a blessing, which now, I fear, for lack of such efforts, may often be withheld. The chaplains generally, when not already burdened with their work would, I am sure, rejoice thus to co-operate with the Society, and work of this kind might be extended at once and with rapidity, overcome. The native agents which we need are not now procurable, and it is for this, among other reasons, that we so much need a college at Poona. The fitting persons are to be found by the presence of a few of kind and careful training which is indispensable could be provided. I have pointed this out to the Home Committee, and I shall be greatly disappointed if this evident want is not very soon supplied. In connection, however, with this attempt to fulfil our duty as a church to those of the heathen who have the first claim on us, our attention is called to our European congregations. I regret to be obliged to remind you that we have been attacked, for what we have thus too late begun, from unexpected quarters. We have been told by those who regard themselves as the foremost champions of independence and religious liberty, that we are doing wrong; that we are "searching the Scriptures." That we are "searching the Scriptures." That we are "searching the Scriptures." That

further length, asked their Lordships to make the rule absolute with costs.

THE CHIEF JUSTICE, in delivering the judgment of the court, said that the rule *nisi* had been granted on four points. The orders referred to were the order of attachment, and the order for the appointment of a receiver, and further the writ of sequestration. As regarded the sequestration, their Lordships did not think the alleged contempt's had been committed since the issuing of the writ. The grounds were these—1. That defendants had since the dates of the two orders (the order of attachment and the order for the appointment of a receiver) delivered to Gopalrao Myral some of the jewels and property of the partnership; 2, That they authorised him, in breach of the orders, to detain the said property from the receiver; 3. That they had pledged with him some of the property and converted to their own use moneys to the amount of Rs. 4,00,000; and 4, That ever since such receipt they had concealed and withdrawn the moneys from the receiver. So far as regarded the writ of sequestration, as his Lordship had said, the court did not propose to make the order absolute. As to the new writ of attachment now sought, it was argued for the defendants against whom it was sought, that it had not been shown that the property made over to Gopalrao Myral, as disclosed upon the affidavit of Vishnoo Pandi, was composed of any portion of the partnership property. The court held that it did comprise the private property of the defendants as well as the partnership property and that it was found impossible to separate the two. The court were satisfied that defendants did cause the property to be delivered—it was at their request that it was made over to Gopalrao Myral—that that was done for the purpose of raising money, and that they did raise money upon it. In this they committed a new and a fresh contempt. The court thought that, as regarded these breaches, the rule must be made absolute. Their Lordships did not see how the Gaekwar's sanction could in the slightest degree authorise this breach of the orders of the court, or screen the defendants from the consequences. It was but one additional link in the long chain of contumacy, of which these men have been guilty. If their purpose really was to satisfy the debt or to bring the money into court, all that their Lordships could say was, that neither of these objects had been obtained. It was possible, had they done so, that the court should have regarded it as some palliation of what would still have been a contempt of court. But there was no such palliation. It was defendants' duty not to intermeddle with the court's receiver. These were the breaches for which the court made the order absolute. No order as to Bhoychund and Ameechund's costs, but the three defendants in contempt were to pay plaintiff's costs.

STATE OF THE WEATHER AND PROSPECTS OF THE COTTON-CROP IN THE GENERAL PROVINCES AND THE BERARS.

From Harry Rivett-Carnac, Esq., C.S.,
Cotton Commissioner,

To The Secretary to the Chamber of Commerce, Bombay, dated Allahabad, the 13th December, 1871.

SIR,—In continuation of my letter of the 4th instant, No. 3631, I have the honour to forward herewith the latest information regarding the weather and crop prospects in these provinces.

2. Mr. Noble, writing on the 9th instant, thus speaks of the prospects in the Wurdah country—

"The weather for the most part has been the same as that of the preceding week—warm and cloudy—but as yet there are no signs that rain will shortly fall. Near the Wurdah River the rubbee crops do not seem to have suffered much from want of rain, but in the poorer fields and in the country to the east of the river, a great many wheat-fields are beginning to present rather a sickly and irregular appearance, the latter no doubt being caused by a great many of the seeds not having germinated for want of moisture.

"Even those fields which were favoured with rain which fell on about the 18th of last month have not benefited thereby as would have been expected, on account of warm, cloudy weather following, instead of cold, fine weather.

"Since my last report my marches have been—

1st, Pohna to Kanholee.
2nd, Kanholee to Khangaon.
3rd, Khangaon to Waigaon.
4th, Waigaon to Wurdah and Nagpore.

"The accounts of the cotton-crops are good, the cultivators estimating the crop at 12 annas, against 4 annas last season. I do not think it is in the nature of native cultivators to admit that the crop is ever more than a 12-annas* one, which in reality signifies that the crop is very good, and considerably above the average.

"I have heard cultivators very early in the season estimate a crop at one rupee and one rupee four annas, but before the pickings commence it has always dwindled down to 8 annas or so, no matter how favourable the weather.

"The 'Katan' crop (such as gram, peas, &c.), it is generally admitted, will be less than last year, when they were above the average."

3. The following extract from Mr. Nago Rao's report will show the condition of matters in East Berar. Writing on the 11th instant he says—

"I have the honour to report that during the past week ending Saturday last the weather continued to be as cloudy and oppressive as it was during the preceding weeks. It has been bright and somewhat cool since yesterday.

"During the week under report I have had but little time to inspect the crops of country, and consequently, I could not travel over a distance of more than 50 miles by road. I visited the important cotton-growing tract lying between Oomrawuttee, Dhunuj, Kooran Khuliar, and Gothumsurrah, &c., and found that between Phool Amlah and Loontak the crops of cotton and jowaree, and the whole of the rubbee crops, were all that could be desired. The cotton plants were nearly high and branchy; and, although the first picking had been completed, there was still plenty of kapas on the plants to pick for the second time. Nearly the whole of the jowaree crop was reaped and gathered, but I could see that the jowaree plants were very high, and had also given a good outturn. The Ryotee cultivators who met me on this road said that the yield of cotton and jowaree was, notwithstanding, about 4 annas below the average; but, from my own observation, I am inclined to believe that the outturn of these crops is about 8 annas below, if not above, the average. The whole of the rubbee crops of this locality were seen to be in an excellent condition.

"Between Oomrawuttee and Dhunuj, and also between Dhunuj and Phool-Amlah, the general appearance of the cotton-crop, so far as I have seen and heard, is good. The plants are high enough. The picking is entirely over, but I am sorry to report that in most of the fields there is very little cotton on the plants to pick for the second time, and the plants have now very few flowers and young bols upon them. The inquiries made from the cultivators of this tract showed that the outturn of jowaree, also, was about 5 or 6 annas below the average; but that the first picking of kapas was good. I am also of opinion that the loss to the jowaree and the cotton-crops of this locality would not be less than about 4 annas in the rupee. The rubbee crops of this tract looked to be in good condition.

"The reports which I have received from the various parts of East Berar, as well as my own observation of the country, indicate that the crops of gram, lac, and thoor are still being damaged by caterpillars; that rain is much needed for the whole of the rubbee crops; that the reaping of jowaree and the first picking of cotton are nearly over; and that the cultivators are all busy in ginning kapas and gathering jowaree.

"The annexed are the reports from Messrs. Beck and Lloyd on the present condition of the Oomrawuttee and the Lakhpooree Experimental Farms. They contain every information connected with the varieties of the experiments under trial. I am sorry to observe that on the Oomrawuttee farm the gram is being much damaged by various insects; that the cotton, which was sown on deep-plough land, and which in consequence required much more rain than what it had during the monsoon, has suffered most seriously; and that wheat and linseed are also going back for want of rain, which is urgently wanted for them. Unless it falls soon, the rubbee crops of the farm, as well as of the native fields in the neighbourhood, will be seriously damaged. The manured plots of the farm will, it is hoped, give a good second picking; and there has been a remarkable difference between the manured and the unmanured plants of cotton on the farm."

4. Mr. Nago Rao's report relates to the most favoured portion of East Berar. Further west the condition of matters is less favourable.

5. Writing on the 11th instant from Akola, Mr. Dunlop says—

"The cloudy weather adverted to in my last passed away without rain, and we have again clear hot days without any prospect of rain.

"The harvest prospects are worse even then was lately anticipated. The rain in the middle of November was too light to have any good effect on the crops, and the cotton crop in this part is miserable. Many fields are yielding nothing, and even where the plants are large and strong looking, the pods are very scarce. The general outturn from the affected districts cannot, I think, be more than 25 per cent. of last year's yield. As the Akote and East Berar Districts have better crops, I estimate the decrease on the total receipts this year at 30 to 40 per cent. The cultivators in this part are in great distress, and will have much difficulty in paying their land revenue, the first instalment of which is now about to fall due.

"The jowaree crop has almost entirely failed, the cotton nearly so, and there is little to be seen, but kurbee (stalks of jowaree), which will be fully required for the cattle. The prospects for the rubbee crops are also bad, and there is a poor chance of their surviving unless rain falls.

"The tehseeldar of Balapore reports as follows on his talook, the whole of which he has carefully inspected:—

"Towards Hata, and generally most of the villages on the north of Balapore, where, for the want of the first few showers in the beginning of the monsoon, the cotton seed was sown several times, the crops are a total failure. In the villages on the south and south-east of Balapore, I have seen occasionally a field almost white with bursted cotton pods, but taking the whole into consideration, the yield in that part could be guessed at about half of what it would otherwise have been had the season been less unfavourable. The average yield from the whole talook may be estimated at four annas in the rupee.

"The crops of the cotton farm are gradually being harvested. The general outturn will compare favourably with that from the cultivators' fields, but little more can be said for our crops."

6. Mr. Dunlop's estimate of a decrease of 30 to 40 per cent. refers to the West Berar Division only.

* *I.e.*, 12 annas in the rupee, or a three-quarter crop.

THE IMPORT TRADE TO RUSSIA.—During ten years—that is to say, from 1860 to 1869 inclusive—the import trade to Russia from the rest of Europe increased from 135,892,000 rs. to 319,575,000 rs., the greatest advance being made since 1866. Last year there was a falling off, the value being more than 10,000,000 rs. from the previous year's return. The exports to Europe in 1869 were about six millions more than in the two following years, but each subsequent return showed a marked increase, ranging from 2,000 rs. in 1868 to 342,353,000 rs. in 1870.

INDIAN ITEMS.

THE GURGEONS.—The *Pioneer* reports that the Gregorys on Thursday night gave their first performance at the Railway Institute, Allahabad, to a house of about ten persons.

BIRTH OF A NATIVE PRINCE.—The Resident in Travancore and Cochin has been requested to offer to His Highness the Maharajah of Travancore, the congratulations of the Government, on the safe delivery of Her Highness, the Junior Ranee, of a son.

ROAD FROM THE GODAVERY RIVER TO ASHWARAVIPETAH.—An estimate amounting to Rs. 200,000 has been sanctioned by Government for constructing a road from the Godavery river bank at Tallapudi to Ashwaravupettah.—*Madras Times*, Dec. 22.

THE MADRAS COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.—We learn that Major Drever will return to Madras about the end of the present month, and resume charge of his duties as Commissioner of Police, Major Hearn the Inspector General of Police, will, it is stated, proceed to Europe on leave at the beginning of next year, and Major Drever will be appointed to act for him.—*Ibid.*

A CORRESPONDENT informs us that cholera is raging violently in the villages of Barasat and Boree in the subdivision of Barripore, and Ghattasara in the subdivision of Diamond Harbour. For want of proper medical treatment, an alarming number of deaths has occurred.—*Indian Daily News.*

OFFICIAL MOVEMENTS IN SIND.—The Commissioner in Sind is, we hear, on his way to Jacobabad, where he will spend the Christmas holidays. Mr. Hunter, Collector of Kurrachee, the Superintendent of Police, the Superintending Engineer in Sind, and the Engineer for Canals, Kurrachee Collectorate, are, we learn, at Schwan.—*Sind News*, Dec. 18.

THE *Sahar Samachar* says that Lord Mayo while on a late pig-sticking expedition halted with his party on the banks of the river Chouni near Ranaghaut. All the neighbouring zemindars turned out in great splendour, with all their oriental insignia, to do honour to the Viceroy. The women greeted His Excellency with the shrill auspicious cry of *hooloo*. Lord Mayo was exceedingly pleased.

DETERMINED SUICIDE.—Private Waller of the Fusiliers committed suicide on Tuesday morning in Bangalore. The unfortunate man appears to have been drinking for some time, though always able to perform his duty, and on the day in question, being alone in his own quarters, he placed his rifle to his forehead, and completely blew off the roof of his skull. A verdict of temporary insanity was returned at the inquest held on his remains, and he was buried with military honours the same evening. A religious book was found beside him.

LORD NAPIER'S VISIT TO THE SEVEN PAGODAS.—We learn that His Excellency Lord Napier, accompanied by a party of sixteen, will leave Madras for Guindy on Saturday next *en route* to Sadras and the Seven Pagodas. His Lordship and party are expected to return to Madras on the 30th instant.—*Madras Athenæum.*

THE appeal in the Begum's case against the Judgment of Mr. Justic Kernan was dismissed on Thursday with costs by the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Holloway, the learned judges upholding the decree of the Lower Court without considering it necessary to hear the respondent's counsel in reply to the arguments of the learned counsel for the appellant. We believe the plaintiff, appellant, the widow of the late Nabob, intends to appeal to the Privy Council.—*Ibid.*

A DRY HINT.—Our genial contemporary, the *Madras Times*, says—"It is satisfactory to learn from the *Athenæum* that the members of the Chamber of Commerce after their dinner at the Club on Saturday dispersed in an exemplary manner." Whence comes this satisfaction? And why comes it so slowly? "Thinking men" may suppose that people can "eat a good dinner" without infringing the proprieties of life. That is just where it is, but we imagine that our contemporary would think a dinner rather slow where there was nothing but eating.—*Ibid.*

AN INSOLVENT IN A PECULIAR DIFFICULTY.—Mr. West, who was co respondent in the suit brought by Mr. DeCeles against his wife and Mr. West for a divorce on the ground of adultery, on Thursday presented his petition as an insolvent and applies for interim order. Among the debts inserted in the schedule was the one for costs in the divorce suit. Counsel, on behalf of Mr. DeCeles, opposed the application, and his lordship, while granting the insolvent an interim order, specially excepted the claim of Mr. DeCeles for costs, in respect of which the Court left the insolvent to the mercy of Mr. DeCeles.—*Ibid.*

AS TO TO UTILISING FINES.—The fine of Rs. 20,000 levied on Ragavacharry, late contracter in the Tinnevelly District, having been realised by the Collector, the Superintending Engineer of the 8th Division has proposed to Government that Rs. 10,000 of the above sum be laid out on the restoration and construction of certain works in that district, Government have sanctioned the proposal, but observe, at the same time that, again passing sentence the Session Judge contemplated the appropriation of the whole amount of the fine for the benefit of public works, the balance also should be expended in restoring or competing works which need such restoration or completion in consequence of the dishonesty of the late contractor. The Superintending Engineer has therefore been called upon to submit proposals in communication with the Collector for utilizing the other half of the fine.—*Ibid.*

MAJOR E. H. PASKE, Deputy Commissioner, has been appointed to officiate as Commissioner and Superintendent of Sibsagor, the appointment of Mr. Peterkin, proceeded on leave.—*Indian Public Opinion*, Dec. 19.

A SERIOUS ACCIDENT AT MEERUT MEER.—We regret to hear of a rather serious accident at Meerut Meer, by which two ladies—the Misses Hewson—have been severely injured. They were driving with another lady in a four-cart when the horse shied, and being too sharply pulled up ran the cart against the coping of a small bridge, throwing the ladies violently off. Miss Hewson had a double fracture of her left collar bone, and her sister had her right collar bone broken. Mrs. Gilbert though much shaken, escaped with a few bruises.—*Ibid.*

DEATH OF A PARSEE AT LAHORE.—On Wednesday last, a Parsee was taken to the Medical Hospital in a state of insensibility, apparently caused by some drug. He was the manager of Mr. Mody's shop on the Mall. It appears that in the afternoon he complained of headache and retired to his room where he was found lying on the floor quite insensible. In spite of every effort to revive him, he expired about midnight in the hospital. Opium was found in his pockets and in his stomach. He is supposed to have committed suicide; no defalcations have as yet been discovered, but he is found to have run considerably into debt.—*Ibid.*

FREEMASON'S PROCESSION.—At a meeting of the District Grand Lodge Committee yesterday it was finally decided that on St. John's day, the 27th instant, the Masons should walk in procession from Lodge to Church, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon. All Masons are requested to attend on this occasion, it being intended to revive an old and excellent custom which should never have been allowed to drop. The Rev. Mr. Baldwin has, we understand, very willingly undertaken to officiate on the occasion, and it is hoped that a large number of Masons from outlying stations will make a point of being present.—*Ibid.*

A WARDER ASSAULTED BY A PRISONER.—Yesterday George Kelly, a prisoner undergoing ten years' imprisonment in the Central Jail, Lahore, was tried in the Chief Court for assaulting a warder. The case was interesting from the fact that the witnesses were chiefly the prisoner's companions in trouble, one of these put into the witness box being Reid, who was condemned for the Simla murder. Kelly had attacked one of the warders, knocked him down, and severely injured him. The assault was not denied, but whereas the warder swore that he had given no provocation and had never spoken to Kelly, the prisoner stated that considerable provocation had been given and that the warder had entered him with the keys, which was proved by the witnesses for the defence. The jury inclined to believe that provocation had been given and found him guilty of the first charge under sec. 332 Indian Panjab Court. If we are not misinformed, one gentleman like a true Lahore jurryman stuck out stoutly for not guilty, though the prisoner admitted the assault. Mr. Justice Boulnois received a recommendation the jury made for lenience, and sentenced the prisoner to one year's rigorous imprisonment after the expiration of his present sentence.—*Ibid.*

THE LUSHAI EXPEDITION.

THE following intelligence has reached Government from General Bourchier, C.B., dated 19th December 1871, Station No. 6, through Tipai Mukh:—

"Encamp about 15 miles south east of Tipai Mukh on Senbong Mountain. Elevation of camp, 3,200 feet. From crest of hill can see Khulel, which appears to be about 28 miles distant by road. A few Lushai scouts, who fled on our arrival in camp yesterday, communicated with our scouts in the course of the day. They report Pollogs and Kolel men assembling on the Tuwaibong, a stream running at the base of the hill on which we are encamped."

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THE further the force advances to Tipai Mookh, the more difficult the country seems to become, and the task of making roads practicable for elephants seems hopeless; and it is very evident that the Lushais have never been in the habit of coming down by road from Tipai Mookh. Water carriage is good, and had early means been adopted to collect a sufficient number of boats, troops and stores might have all been sent by water, and much time saved; the road now being made will never do for laden elephants, and it seems doubtful if these animals can be made use of for carriage in such country. A mistake seems to have been made in feeding coolies from the North-West Punjab on rice; it will not agree with them, and the force may be put to great trouble and inconvenience for want of carriage. Large quantities of stores are well up to the point, and daily fleets of boats are being despatched upwards to Tipai Mookh, so there ought to be no scarcity at the depôt to be stationed at Tipai Mookh. The weather is good, and the halting places not so damp as might have been expected, and an endless supply of wood being available, large fires are kept, and must tend very materially to keep the various camps healthy. The force is evidently not likely to advance fairly into the interior before the end of December, unless fewer obstacles present themselves; as yet they have got as far as No. 4 station, 25 or 24 miles from Mynadhur. A party have visited Tipai Mookh, and a suitable piece of ground has been found to pitch on piee and open, which is fortunate. A great want of sweepers is felt to work at the camp latrines and the general conservancy of the camp, but such is the dread of this part, that no offers will induce men to take service, even Rs. 16 a month with free rations, coat, and blanket is refused. The salt beef sent up has proved a failure, being repulsive to the sight, offensive to the smell, and totally unfitted for human food. Doubtless prompt measures will be taken to remedy this. Lime-juice to prevent scurvy ought also to be at hand. The jungles produce many edible wild vegetables, well known to the Kookies, and it pointed out, would doubtless be gladly eaten by sepoys and camp followers to vary the sameness of their daily ration. It is clouding over somewhat, but it is to be hoped that the force will escape rain until they reach Tepai Mookh, where they can get more permanent shelter than at present; the issue of a waterproof sheet to each sepoy of the force was a move in the right direction.—*Indian Daily News.*

IT is known that nothing could have been more spirited and exemplary than the conduct of Captain Hidayet Ali during the ravages of cholera among the coolie corps he had brought down to the Cachar frontier from Darjeeling. It is said that he was not only doctor, but attendant to the sick, and that but for his exertions the mortality would have been greater and the corps broken up. There was a native doctor in medical charge of the corps, but he is said to have been drunk or "drinking" during the time his services were most requisite. We believe this exemplary professor of the healing art would have been tried by court-martial, but that some doubt existed as to his amenability to military law, and he was left for the special notice of the local Government.—*Daily Examiner*, Dec. 21.

THE Government of India is said to have sanctioned a special grant of Rs. 20,000 for the purchase of the steamer Flame for the Looshai expedition, and to have allowed the expenditure to proceed against the general grant in the Bengal Marine Budget.—*Ibid.*

JUDGMENT IN THE AMEER KHAN'S APPEAL.

JUDGMENT was delivered on Friday morning in Amir Khan's appeal by the learned Chief Justice. After stating the charges on which Amir Khan was tried, he referred to the objections taken by Mr. Anstey, and as regarded the third objection, he said that this point ought not to prevail, being already decided by various decisions of the High Court here, as well as at Bombay. As to the first of these objections, he was of opinion that the Code of Criminal Procedure gave jurisdiction to try the abstment of an offence to the Court within whose jurisdiction the offence abetted was committed; and as to the third objection, that Amir Khan had already been convicted and punished under Regulation 3 of 1818, he was of opinion that he could not agree with the ruling of Mr. Justice Phear, that that regulation constituted the Governor-General in Council a judicial tribunal. Such was not consistent with the tenor of the preamble and other parts of the regulation, and that therefore there had in no sense been a prior conviction for the same offences. The learned Judge then went into the evidence adduced by the prosecution, and thought that the case made out against Amir Khan, and that, therefore, the sentence of the lower Court ought to be confirmed.

With regard to Tobarack Ali, one of the prisoners tried at the same time as Amir Khan, the learned Judge thought the case had been proved against him, and the sentence was confirmed as regards this prisoner also. The sentence of the lower Court with regard to Mobarack Ali, Haji Din Muhammad and Aminuddin, against whom the charges had not been proved, would be reversed. Mr. Justice L. S. Jackson and Mr. Justice Macpherson both concurred in the judgment of the Chief Justice.—*Englishman.*

OPENING OF THE FINE ARTS EXHIBITION AT THE DALHOUSIE INSTITUTE.

THE opening of the Fine Arts Exhibition in connection with the Dalhousie Institute came off on Monday evening at 4·30 P.M. The doors of the hall of the Institute were thrown open at 4 P.M., and punctually at 4.30 P.M., their Excellencies Lord and Lady Mayo, accompanied by his Lordship's Private Secretary and several members of the Staff, arrived, and were led by Mr. Hugh Sandeman to the seats provided for them on the dais. Among the distinguished visitors present we observed His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Sir Richard Temple, the Hon. Mr. Ellis, Major-General, the Hon. H. W. Norman, a number of ladies, and many of the *elite* of the city. On the entrance of their Excellencies, the band struck up "God Save the Queen," and immediately afterwards the Musical Society of the Institute sang "God Bless the Prince of Wales." At its conclusion,

Mr. Sandeman opened the proceedings by a speech, after which

His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General (preciding) said—In declaring this exhibition open, I hope I may be allowed to express my satisfaction of the successful efforts which have been made to establish a fine art exhibition in the capital of British India. I am glad to find that, even in Calcutta, there are some people who think that some good may come from Simla where exhibition similar to this have been held, and have been so remarkably successful. They not only give great pleasure to a great number of people, but they also, I know, lead to many efforts made in the way of art, and many members of the Civil Service, and many ladies, to cultivate their talent for drawing. There are not wanting in this country, both in human and animal life, and also in landscapes, ample materials for the artist's pencil, and the principal aim and object of such exhibitions in India ought to be to induce the natives of the country to devote more of their attention to the study of art. Indian art is of a peculiar kind, and is beautiful itself. I am happy to say, from the report of the London Fine Arts Exhibition, that objects of Indian design are very much appreciated, and in fact in many departments and in many branches of art there is, I may say, a growing passion for Indian things. And thus, though I do not think, it is at all desirable that Europeans should imitate Indian arts, yet still I think it would be a great improvement in the country if the natives of the country—if the natives of India—were to endeavour to take advantage of the many beautiful specimens of European art which they find amongst them, and to follow them out to a certain extent without in the least attempting to blend them together, for they are both excellent in themselves. In Calcutta we are very much indebted to the gentlemen, Mr. Sandeman and others, who have endeavoured to promote this object, and I cannot say I anticipate the gloomy result that this exhibition might be perhaps a failure. On the contrary, I believe that the Committee will receive from the public gratifying support and will induce them, in many future years, to continue a movement so well initiated. I am glad to hear that attempt have been made to induce private individuals, who possess valuable or interesting works of art, to exhibit them. Years ago in England it was thought almost an impertinence to ask a private individual to send his collection of valuable pictures, or rare China, or curious objects of art to be inspected by the general public, other works of art to be inspected by the general public. I am happy to say that that prejudice is now entirely worn away, and that now many private gentlemen take a pleasure in exhibiting their collections, and have done a great deal to promote art education, and have given pleasure to thousands. I have myself seen a gentleman of Calcutta, who possessed beautiful collections of China and other things, actually describe and explain to people the excellencies of his collection. I hope, therefore, that that example will be followed in this country, and that, perhaps, at some future occasion, the exhibition will not be confined merely to the exhibition of works of sculpture and painting, but that opportunity may be given also to add to such exhibitions as these, specimens of art of native construction. I have now only to declare this exhibition open, and to say that I cannot think that this beautiful hall of the Institute, which bears so many evidences of antiquity, can be used to better purpose than for such exhibitions. (Applause.)

After the Musical Society had sung "Sons of Art,"

Mr. W. B. Mactavish, the honorary secretary to the Dalhousie Institute, read the award of the Committee who had been appointed to adjudge the prizes to the best specimens of art that had been sent in for exhibition and competition.

After some preliminary remarks, the Committee stated their award of the prizes to be—

1. To Colonel Rodney Brown. For the best figure-painting in oils. "The Junno-tree Shepherd." His Excellency the Viceroy's Gold Medal. While awarding the medal to the best picture available under the terms of the competition, we have to bear in mind that much better works by the same author are present in the exhibition, but are excluded from competition by reason of their having previously won prizes.

2. To Mrs. A. J. L. Walker. For the best landscape in oils. "A Scene in Rural Bengal." A difficult and unfavourable subject treated in a very harmonious and successful manner. His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief's Gold Medal.

3. To Mrs. Graham. For the best figure-painting in water-colours. An effectively executed and expressive half-length portrait of Rajah Deo Narain Singh of Benares. Sir Richard Temple's Gold Medal.

4. To N. E. M. For the best landscape-painting in water-colours, "The Khulsait River, near Darjeeling." A very ably executed wood and water-scene. The President's Gold Medal.

5. To Mr. R. J. Sternsdale. For the second-best figure-painting in oils, entitled, "Close Quarter." The prize is awarded only for the force and spirited delineation of a springing tiger, the human figures being quite incomplete. The Institute's Silver Medal.

6. To Sir Charles D'Oyley. For the second-best landscape in oils. "The Junction of the Jumna and Ugloa Rivers." A picture which—had the excellence which characterises its force and middle ground been extended to its mountain distance—might have carried the greater prize. The Institute's Silver Medal.

7. To F. L. For the second best figure-painting in water-colour, "A Dead Bullfinch." A work executed with great fidelity and delicacy. The Institute's Silver Medal.

8. To Col. P. Lumsden. For the second-best landscape in water-colour, "The Isle of Wensundee, in the Berhampooter." A picture admirable for mellowness, harmony of colouring, and delicacy of handling. The Institute's Silver Medal.

9. To Mr. R. B. Bayne. For excellence in architectural drawing. A group of designs for improvements in Calcutta. The Institute's Silver Medal. This prize is not awarded on account of the merits of the design, but strictly under the terms of the competition, namely, for the artistic feeling shown in the light and skilful delineation.

10. To Mrs. Montague Turnbull. For the best modelled group of animals. A group of excellently modelled Horses, Mare, and Foal, in wax. The Institute's Silver Medal.

11. To Captain G. Harrison. For the best *bas-relievo*. A casket carved in wood. The Institute's Silver Medal.

12. To Mr. R. R. Bayne. For the best set of etchings. The principal subject in this set being remarkable both for composition and execution. The Institute's Silver Medal.

The proceedings then came to a close.

A NEW style of parties is called "Flannel Receptions," where a number of ladies meet, once a week, in evening, at each other's houses, and sew for an hour on clothing for the poor. After this the work is cleared away, and the gentlemen arrive, when an elegant tea or supper is served, and, after music and reading, and sometimes dancing, the company disperse at the seasonable hour of ten o'clock.—*Court Journal.*

A DIVORCE CASE WITH FIVE CO-RESPONDENTS.

FIREBRACE V. FIREBRACE, GEORGES, KING, FIREBRACE, DAVENPORT, AND HOGG.

THIS case came on at the Court of Divorce, on Nov. 29, before Lord Penzance and a Special Jury. Dr. Deane, Q.C., Serjeant Parry, Dr. Spinks, Q.C., and Mr. R. A. Bayford, for the petitioner. Mr. Huddlestone, Q.C., Mr. H James, Q.C., and Mr. R. Searle, for the respondent; Mr. George Browne, for Georges; Mr. F. A. Inderwick, for King; Mr. Pickering, Q.C., Serjeant Ballantine and Mr Jeune, for George Firebrace; Serjeant Ballantine and Mr. Rose, for Davenport; Serjeant Ballantine for Hogg.

This was a husband's petition for a dissolution of his marriage on the ground of his wife's adultery with the co-respondents. The co-respondents and respondent answered, denying the adultery; and the respondent in addition charged her husband with cruelty, and adultery with Hannah Allen. The petitioner replied denying the allegations made against him.

Dr. Deane, Q.C., in opening the case for the petitioner, said that from the number of co-respondents, from the large number of learned counsel engaged, and from the crowded state of the court, the jury would no doubt think that the case they had to decide was no ordinary one. This was the real case, and from the fact after fact that it would be his duty to lay before them, he thought they would come to the conclusion that the cause was one of the most extraordinary, and at the same time one of the worst, that could be imagined. The petitioner in the case was a gentleman some forty-three years of age, and was the son of a major in the army. He had spent a large portion of his life in Australia, and he was, as he no doubt always would be, a gentleman of unblemished character. In 1857 he came to England, and he made the acquaintance in this country of the respondent, who was then a Miss Isabella Black, the daughter of a Scotch gentleman who was well known in Australia. She returned to Australia before the petitioner did; but he followed her, and in May, 1858, they were married at St. Kilda's, Melbourne. No marriage could have been fuller of promise for the future happiness of the parties; their fortunes and their social condition were equal, and there was only some few years' disparity in the ages of the parties; but as at the time of the marriage the petitioner was 29 years of age, and his wife some nine years younger, the disparity was not great. The marriage resulted in the birth of four children, of whom three were now alive. The respondent was a lady of great personal attractions, and great accomplishments; in fact, she was a woman that any man might be proud of, and one whom few men could resist. The learned doctor said he would now refer to the co-respondents. George Firebrace was a brother of the petitioner, and he was a man with whom in all the affection of a brother, the petitioner left his wife without the slightest doubt of fear; and yet he had in the very house—nay, in the very room—of the petitioner, debauched his wife and committed adultery with her frequently. Another co-respondent, Hogg, was the blood nephew of the respondent, and the respondent seduced him. Another co-respondent, Georges, was but little known to the respondent, and it was when, under some pretext, she left her husband's home, that she and Georges committed adultery at Southsea Castle, in the mess-room of the barrack. As to Davenport, there was but little known of him, except that he was the son of a neighbour when the respondent and the petitioner resided at Tunbridge Wells. The story seemed an almost incredible one, and it no doubt struck one as strange that such things should have happened; but there was a predisposing cause, namely